

# SPRINGWOOD UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB INCORPORATED



# 2009

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## COMMITTEE MEMBERS

### Board

Bruce Smith	Chairman	0434 314 134
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Ken Parkins	President of Football	0403 121 488
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Damon Dreves	Asst Competition Secretary	4754 1039
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Stuart Woodland	Equipment Officer	4758 9796
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Martin Doran	Youth League Co-ordinator	0409 818 727
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## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Well what a season this has been for our club. It marks the end of a 5 year plan that has seen many changes in our club structure, the playing fields, grandstands, financial procedures and reporting and most importantly how we play our games. Netball has returned to where it started in the Blue Mountains to a trouble free happy existence. Football has changed dramatically how our younger members play. By all accounts the SSG format is well received and how your club runs the games has been hailed as a success within and outside the club. Our fields have grown in number and been surrounded by new fences. We will have a new strip with a new logo in time for the 2010 season and possible expansion into Womans Super League. A new Constitution with a clearer structure, roles and responsibilities and expanded positions to meet our growing needs. Changes to the Associations Act which your club planned and implemented ahead of time. All of these changes have taken their toll on some members who are now burnt out and need a rest from running your club, while others are stepping up to the new challenges the next five years may offer.



Our new uniforms were needed as our current strip is nearing 9 years old and many shirts were becoming unusable. Rather than patch together a hybrid of different designs and a desire to have a different shirt from all others, the Football Committee and Board searched for a new strip that did not clash with any other clubs. This avoids the need for an away strip and completes the new look for your club.

***A new Constitution, a new club name, a new logo and a new uniform, a bright new future.***



After many years of complaints about the "prawn" the Board decided to hold a competition to see what other designs could be developed. After a large response the top entries were shown to our sub committees and members who were overwhelming in their response. The new logo was far and above the popular choice with just over one third of the current members asked for their opinion. This will be the clubs fourth logo since our beginning and may not be the last but it is here for the next four years as our new shirts are being purchased with this new logo.

Representative football has once again returned to our club with the Men, Boys and possibly soon Womans Super League as well. There are many stories and misconceptions around the park about rep football and how they are funded. The registrations fees paid by your kids and the adult players do not fund rep football. They get their money from sponsorship, their own registrations fees, fundraising and any shortfall is funded by canteen profits. So visiting NDSFA and FNSW teams actually help to pay the cost of developing our future stars. Through budgeting and an active subcommittee, rep football is close to covering all of their costs. Some may see them as elite or special but they are just kids playing at a higher level and having fun just like the other teams on the park.

A club of our size could never go a whole season and not have "issues" that need attending to and this year has been no different to any other. Helping us get through these issues is our new club Chaplain, Damon Dreves who doubles as our Referees Coordinator. Damon has been a workhorse all year and nothing seems to trouble him as he listens to complaints from parents, players and committee members. One thing that has risen this year is the number of small, vocal agenda groups that appear to speak for the masses but in reality, after investigation, have no backing. Satisfying these groups has taken up much time and effort that could have been directed into other areas of the club. We need to concentrate on what is important for all members and forget our own desires or goals. Shining a light on these groups appears to diminish their fervour to create disharmony and this should be done whenever you hear any rumour or gossip.

It would be remiss of me not to thank those very hard working Board and subcommittee members who are all volunteers giving their time to run your club. Thanks to the Directors of the Board who attend meetings every second Thursday and manage your money to ensure we pay the running costs and unforseen costs of approximately 1400 players across three sports. In particular thanks to Anja Minney who has worked

tirelessly to manage the books and refine our financial procedures to ensure transparency and a true reflection of our income and expenditure. Next to our Netball subcommittee who came in late and learnt the job on the fly. Well done to Liz, Anne, Tania and Michelle who have simply got on with the job and worked around any problems that arose. By all accounts another hassle free happy year was had by the players. I thank the Canteen staff who have supported your club for many hours every weekend organising the hot and cold food and drinks for thousands of people. Thanks Andrew, Ken, Chris and Karen (and bubs). Now to the Football committee, who have the unenviable task of putting together 102 teams, grading them, kitting them out and then fitting them onto the park so that everyone can train when they want, where they want and how often they want. Not an easy job for anyone let alone a group of diverse volunteers who meet irregularly and all have their own teams to look after.

This year sees the departure of our chief registrar, Ian Sargent who has decided to concentrate on coaching and enjoying the sport once again. Ian will still mark the lines every week and help out when he can. Ian's good will, easy smile and dry wit will be missed at meetings. Also stepping one cog back will be Stuart Woodland who has been our diligent Equipment Officer scrapping together more and more team bags every year to ensure we all look roughly the same and all kick roughly the same balls. Thanks Stuart, your work is largely in the background and not many see the many hours you have devoted to the club. Our Competition Secretary has had to step back also as his University work now commands more and more of his time. Peter Nangle will be the Assistant Competition Secretary with Damon Dreves stepping forward into Peter's shoes. So with a small shuffle it will be business as normal next season. Our President of Football Ken Parkins, who was ill for most of the season will also step back from the top job and devote more time into developing womans football. Annette Harrop who has been the Womans Coordinator for the past four years is stepping down and she will be missed by all. Annette has the ability to absorb all complaints and seek out a resolution for any situation, especially when sorting the girls into teams.

To our Representative Football subcommittee of the Football committee. The Men's team did not have a great year on the field but bonded into a tight group of club minded players who are keen to develop younger players and bring in experienced new players to make the team competitive next season. Many thanks to Martin Doran and Vicki Ruttley who attended almost every game of Youth League and attended to many and varied problems that arise in rep football. The control and administration of rep football would suffer greatly from their departure so we must ensure they stay for next season. Many thanks to Craig Adams who stepped into the role of Representative Coordinator and inherited a myriad of issues that commanded immediate attention. Learning on the job, Craig did a good job of running Reps this year.

Beside the Football Committee the most well known is our Marketing Committee, who handle Publicity, our Webpage, Team Photos, Fundraising and Sponsorship. We once again had a great turnout for the Trivia Night, Golf Day and Wine and Cheese Night, all raising much needed funds for the club. Fundraising has brought in almost \$50,000 this year thanks to the hard work of many hard workers led by Wendy, Vicki, Julie, Annette and Tania. Sponsorship has a new face this year in Megan Gilchrist, a local businesswoman who has already raised thousands of dollars for next season and filled almost every team shirt with a sponsor. Next year looks to be even better for our Marketing team.

Finally to our Vice Chairman, Andrew Harrop who not only performed his duties on the Board but also stepped in to assist as Competition Secretary and Park Official almost every week. Andrew worked non-stop to get the park covered as well as assisting more than one team with coaching duties. Andrew has the ability to see beyond the issues with a view to the future and the ramifications of decisions. Andrew often acts as "devil's advocate" to test all decisions and plans to ensure we get it right first time. A true club member, Andrew is one of those people every club needs to have.

Next year looks to be yet another step in our club's development as we embrace the possibility of Womans reps, further development around the fields, a more professional approach to gradings, coaches attaining their qualifications, a return to Prens Division local competition, more teams and more players, new uniforms and increased sponsorship from local businesses. A new committee and new challenges await those willing to step forward. Thank you for another great year and I look forward to seeing you all on presentation days and at registrations next January.

Bruce Smith  
Chairman

# FINANCIAL REPORT

## DRAFT PROFIT & LOSS TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2009

### Income

Registrations ( <i>Darts, Netball &amp; Representative Football</i> )	\$222,335.78
Merchandise Sales	\$13,893.10
Club Fundraising ( <i>Chocolates, Trivia Night, Golf Day, Photos, Wine &amp; Cheese Night</i> )	\$49,369.15
Sponsorship	\$20,597.10
Darts Sales	\$1,421.36
Other Income ( <i>Inc. Interest, State League Winnings &amp; Sundry income</i> )	\$5,732.17
Canteen Sales	\$64,549.00
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>\$377,897.66</b>

### EXPENSES

Cost of goods sold	Canteen	\$47,202.87
	Darts	\$1,313.44
	Fundraising (Chocolates etc)	\$29,324.14
	Merchandise	\$10,469.05
<b>COGS Total</b>		<b>\$88,309.50</b>
Registrations ( <i>including NDSFA, FNSW, FFA, BMNA, Darts</i> )		\$90,017.48
BMCC Levy		\$5,163.54
Referees		\$28,714.83
Equipment ( <i>includes Goal Posts, balls shirts, cones ladders, balls</i> )		\$26,980.64
Fines ( <i>red cards, match sheets, forfeits</i> )		\$3,260.00
Insurance ( <i>workers comp, voluntary, building etc.</i> )		\$5,350.41
Office ( <i>Stationery, Paper, Cleaning</i> )		\$2,001.44
Advertising		\$3,690.27
Bank fees		\$2,587.14
Accounting		\$3,000.00
Repairs & Maintenance ( <i>inc. Line marking &amp; fence</i> )		\$19,455.38
Coaches & Manager's function		\$2,971.72
Electricity		\$8,165.70
Telephone		\$5,059.76
Sundries		\$16,802.53
Presentation Day		\$24,000.00
Representative Football Coaches Payments		\$4,500.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$340,030.34</b>
<b>Estimated Net Profit</b>		<b>\$37,867.32</b>



# NETBALL



2009 was a vibrant and dynamic year for Springwood Netball Club. Teams comprised of a wide and eclectic cross section of the community. Younger players were nurtured and mentored by senior players. Demi Gregory and Alison McLaren are to be congratulated for their achievement of umpiring qualifications and the vote of confidence from BMNA in their skills selecting them to umpire for finals games.

A great season was had for players; developing their skills and playing the game with fun and enthusiasm. Work, family, distance (one player travelled from Bathurst) and injury took their toll. All teams held their own with the Division 4 team making it to finals.

Springwood Netball Club has adopted the Netball NSW “Net-Set-Go” program to promote the sport locally and advance club development. The club recognises Tania Smith for all her effort in establishing this program. Juggling Netball NSW & BMNA requirements with council booking allocations and working within a tight timeframe, all credit is due to Tania for recruiting the support and co-operation of other clubs and getting the program running at Summerhayes Park.

Gratitude for support and encouragement is extended to family and friends who turned up at games, and those who took on the roles of team officials.

The Committee has been busy attending club and association meetings and fulfilling a multitude of duties.

Thank you and well done to all for an enjoyable season of Netball.

**Sandra (Liz) Stringer**

Netball President

Springwood Netball Club

## Division 4 Phoenix – 4<sup>th</sup>

The winter netball 2009 season saw the newly formed Blue Mountains Phoenix team seeded into Division 4. Many of the players were meeting each other for the very first time. At the first training session it was more a case of working out each other's names and preferred call-signs rather than actual playing strengths and positional strategies.

Before long the playing season started and we realised that the team had potential to compete well against the more established sides in this division. After running into some hot competition in the first 2 rounds, the team's next game saw them come from 6 goals down at the final change to win by a single score. This led to more confidence and a second win followed the next weekend, we were on our way to a very successful first year together.

The season culminated in our team finishing in 4<sup>th</sup> position and qualifying for the semi-finals, which was a brilliant effort. Unfortunately it was here that the journey ended for this year, but a strong foundation has been laid for the future.

The team was magnificently managed by Anne Bostock and I thank her for the time and effort that she put into this.

Thanks to Laura for her precise shooting, Mel & Anne for their versatility in defence and attack, Kate for her passion, Paula for her on court entertainment, Kristy for her perseverance and Lauren for the short





time she spent with us before her pregnancy. I would also like to make mention and thank all the Div 5 players who filled in for us throughout the season.

Special thanks to Tania for expert umpiring and being so supportive throughout the year, also to Kip for scoring the games when required, and to all those supporters who came along on those warm winter Saturday afternoons to cheer us on.

It has been a pleasure to be a part of the Springwood Netball Club in 2009.

2009 Phoenix: Paula Apps, Anne Bostock, Lauren Brennan, Melinda Daniels, Ranell Hobson, Kristy Homann, Kate Mills, Alison Rothwell and Laura Storrie.

Coach: Ranell Hobson

Manager: Anne Bostock

## **Division 5 Contenders – 7<sup>th</sup>**

We started off the year with two new additions to the team: Marissa and Beth who proved to be worthwhile team members. While it took us a couple of weeks to find our rhythm, we played really well as a team this season, despite not winning a huge number of our games. I am really looking forward to playing in this team next year!

- Bron, our resident GA, had a fantastic season, getting some truly spectacular goals and was joined by Marissa, who took on the role of GS for the majority of the season. Marissa has played a great season of netball, getting better all the time and it was only in the last few games that we realised her amazing ability to play defence!
- Alissa played extremely well this season, with some great work defending in the circle. She also showed a willingness to try her luck in GS, working beautifully with Bron in the circle in our last few games.
- Kellie continued on in WA for the season, playing consistently throughout the season and feeding the ball well into our shooters. Kel is a great asset to the team, always willing to play any position when needed.
- Ruth and Emma shared the role of Centre, which we are all incredibly grateful for because we all know how hard they worked and how much running is involved! Ruth has great enthusiasm and always plays to the best of her ability, showing a natural aptitude for the game.
- Emma played really well this season, switching from C to GK and back again! Emma defended beautifully in the circle, even when faced with a much taller opponent. She also stepped into her usual role of Centre from the very beginning of the season, working well in the centre court.
- Beth has played so well this season, bringing a great sense of fun and laughter to our games! Starting out as a WD, it was good to see her move into defending in the circle towards the end of the season. Beth has improved tremendously this season, and always plays well in mid court.
- Jenny played brilliantly in defence this season, with some really good work in the circle and assisting in mid court almost effortlessly. She made some really good intercepts and just keeps getting better and better!

I would like to thank all of the girls for their efforts this season, especially those of you who travelled up from Penrith to come to training on a Wednesday night. You are all great players and it has been a lot of fun playing with you this season! Our diversity this season has been fantastic, with some very surprising and positive results. And also, a big thank you to the parents, partners and friends who turned up to watch us play and cheer us on!

2009 Contenders: Melanie Ashworth, Bronwyn Castle, Alissa Dodd, Jenny Hanslow, Marissa Hanslow, Ruth Henderson, Emma Lamont, Bethany Logan and Kellie Selwood.

Coach: Bronwyn Castle

Manager: Melanie Ashworth

## **Division 6 Rangers – 5<sup>th</sup>**

This year saw a diverse group of girls and women come together for a fun year of netball. We had five fabulous teenagers play with and against women twice their age and demonstrate a maturity and strong team spirit beyond their years. Although we didn't win many games the team showed determination and a

great sense of fun. All players improved throughout the year culminating in an outstanding performance in our final game against one of the top teams.

- Bettina Ams (GA, GS) - chatty and cheerful, Betti played an integral part shooting for the team. She improved as the year went on and stunned us all with her beautiful long distance shots.
- Grace Cavanagh (WA, WD) - a newcomer to netball, Grace demonstrated great ability and a good reading of the game. A strong team player with a fabulous sense of fun Grace was a valuable addition to our team.
- Sue Dunn (WA, C) - speedy Sue was all over the court like the energizer bunny. A good role model for our younger players, Sue is one of the best sports in the game. A victim of questionable calls Sue always took it with good humour.
- Madelyne Fairbairn (GD, WD) - the quietest member of our team, Maddie showed a strong determination and great defensive skills. With each game Maddie improved in leaps and bounds and dazzled with some amazing intercepts at the end of the season.
- Maddi Galton (GS, GA) - as one of our shooters Maddi grew in confidence as the year progressed. With her chirpy personality, Maddi is always a delight to have around and it was a joy to watch her grow into a more confident netballer.
- Demi Gregory (GD, GA, C) - dynamo Demi is the team's all rounder. An amazingly versatile player, Demi was invaluable in any position she played. Our youngest player, as GD and Centre she was all over the court and she showed a lot of promise towards the end of the season as a shooter.
- Alison McLaren (GD, GK) - our effervescent defender and leader of our team strove to keep out all opposition shooters at bay. She quite often would umpire or assist with a higher division and then never failed to give her all for the team.
- Jen McLaren (C) - our steady Centre, Jen reads every game well and is another great role model for our younger players. A versatile and energetic player Jen outran the fittest of her opponents covering every inch of the court. Jen always positions herself well and is a valuable member of the team.
- Liz Stringer (WD) - another newcomer to netball, Liz shows great courage and determination on the court. She improved with every game and was a delight to have on the team. As our Manager, Liz made sure the team's admin was always in order. As the team Paparazzo Liz ensured our season was well documented in photos.
- Tim Murawski (Team scorer) - our ever present scorer, Tim also acted as our time keeper and cheer squad encouraging the girls at all times.
- Tania Smith (Umpire) - Tania selflessly sacrificed playing this year to ensure that we always had an umpire. A fierce but fair official, Tania always controls the game with the highest level of integrity. She mentored the trainee umpires through the year and provided invaluable support to all teams.

It was a delight to coach and play with the girls this year. I look forward to another fantastic year next year. Thank you to the parents, partners and children of the team for their support and encouragement during the year.

2009 Rangers; Bettina Ams, Grace Cavanagh, Susan Dunn, Rowena Evers, Madelyne Fairbairn, Madeline Galton, Demi Gregory, Alison McLaren, Jennifer McLaren and Sandra Stringer.

Coach: Alison McLaren

Manager: Liz Stringer

## **2009 Annual General Meeting**

5 pm Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2009

Clubhouse at Summerhayes Park



## DARTS

*“Well once again our intrepid members ventured forth to the local clubs and hotels to challenge others to combat the ancient art of throwing a small projectile at a cork board with the goal of hitting certain numbers while constantly impairing their abilities by drinking ancient brewed ales served by buxom wenches” - (actually well clothed men and women but let's not destroy the imagery)”*

We proved that our aim is better left on the field of Football than in the clubs with many a dart going awry and actually missing the board as the night wore on. However our cheering and sledging of our own team members left our foes covering lest we turn our voices towards them. With the competition still going we have our No 1 team near the top and our No 2 team not near the top.

Many thanks must go to Ken Dufty whose dogged harassment of players starts before the season ends and continues until the first dart is thrown. He attends all of the Association meetings and passes all information on so we are kept up to date. Thanks also to Gary Way who has represented the dart throwers on the Board and been a vocal member of Team 2.

A huge welcome to our new players this season, especially Pat Minney who actually practised for our games until he realised it was a social game and the score did not really matter. We always said that when we lost and celebrated our superior skill and prowess when we won.

We all played like champions throughout the year and represented our fine club with sportsmanship and good cheers every match. All of us worked out hard to maintain our finely honed taunt bodies although some had a more rounded centre of balance than others.

With the season nearing its completion we are looking forward to next year and the thought of once again taking to the clubs to battle for glory and that elusive score of 180.

2009 Dart Players: Martin Doran, Andrew Dufty, Chris Dufty, Ken Dufty, John Fuller, Peter McKinnon, Pat Minney, Kyran Murphy, Scott Randall, Shane Randall, Frank Ross, Bruce Smith, Duncan Walker and Gary Way.

## REFEREES REPORT

We gained many new referees this year who jumped straight in with the trial matches and became quite confident quickly.

Yet again between Nepean and our referees we cover almost 100% of the games played at Summerhayes. We even covered some away games on occasions.

We were able once again to assist Blue Mountains Grammar School and local schools in their school competitions.

We have the summer competition at look forward to before we put away the whistles for the year (though many of our referees run Futsal games in summer).

If you have the desire to be involved as a referee with all the challenges it throws at you come and join up.

Thanks you to these people who refereed this year.

Dick Beutler; Drew Burkinshaw; Mark Cotter; Oliver Denny; Jye Doyle; Renee Fleming; Gabrielle Flood; Alice Harrop; Andrew Harrop; Fiona Harrop; Amelia Hatton; Jonathan Maher; Lucy Marvell; Bob Millevoi; Brad Millevoi; Kiera Minney; Daniel Murray; Ken Parkins; Mitchell Robson; Michael Robson; Edward Steward; Eden Stubbs; Mia Vallieres; Greg Vance.

Damon Dreves  
Referees Coordinator

## REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL

Rain, more rain, fields closed, no training on the fields, finding other venues to train. Catch up games scheduled. Catch up games rescheduled. More changes to venues. That was the year in brief for representative football.

Our club's Mens State League team play in the Division 2 competition. The teams have performed extremely well under difficult circumstances. They were short on players all year with many of the players backing up and playing for reserve and first grade. We had a number of younger guys stepping up for the challenge and handled themselves very well.

Kaan Davies took on the role as Player / Coach of the side with Nathan King assisting. Both are senior players for the team and have a passion for the team and club. Paul Ribeiro stepped in as Reserve Grade coach as well as coaching his under 17 side. Danielle Mellows has been a wonderful Manager and organizer all year.

The first grade played in the Tiger Turf Cup and is an FA Cup style of competition between all levels of senior teams. Our boys performed extremely well progressing to the 3rd round. The boys were beaten 2-1 against Rockdale City who play in the Super League competition (2 levels higher) and have won the Super League competition. The supporters of Rockdale were very impressed with our clubs never die attitude and performance. They are all great guys who love the club and want to assist in improving where they can.

Our Youth League programme is now in its second year with the club finishing a spot higher in the club championship, tenth. We were only several points away from actually finishing eighth in the 12 team competition. Thank you to our coaching staff. It is a very big commitment and we are very grateful for their time and enthusiasm. The team managers worked tirelessly keeping everyone in order and organized. It is a long campaign, from trials, trail games then regular season but congratulations to all the teams, the hard working coaches, the terrific managers and parents. It is a very big commitment by everyone but one I am sure you agree is worthwhile and enjoyable. A special mention to the under 13's who are the first Youth League team to progress to the semi finals.

The work that Martin Doran (Youth League Coordinator) and Vicki Ruttley (Rep Football Admin) do our State League and Youth League teams is truly amazing. We are blessed to have these two wonderful people who work tirelessly to ensure these boys can concentrate on football, that the coaches concentrate on coaching, the managers have everything they need and any queries or concerns parents or partners may have are taken care of. Thank you to the both of you from everyone associated with representative football.

Thank you to the club for their support of representative football. Our club offers a product to the local football community to assist in developing players wishing to take the next step. We must all continue to support and encourage those associated. Cross our fingers for women's rep football next year. Even if it means more work load!

**Craig Adams**

Representative Football Coordinator.

### Representative Football Trials

**Mens State League** each Tuesday and Thursday in October

<b>Boys Youth League</b>	Under 13's and 14's	7th Dec / 9th Dec / 11th Dec
	Under 15's and 16's	8th Dec / 10th Dec / 12th Dec
	Under 18's	14th Dec / 16th Dec / 18th Dec

## Representative Football Coordinators

Craig Adams – Representative Co-ordinator  
Martin Doran – Youth League Coordinator  
Vicki Ruttley - Administration

## Mens State League Coaching Staff

Kaan Davies – Head Coach, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade  
Nathan King – Assistant Coach, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade  
Paul Ribeiro – Head Coach, U/20  
Adam Malouf – Goalkeeping Coach

## State League Players

Geoffrey	Abrahams	Timothy	Kelly
Pat	Agius	Nathan	King
Nicolas	Arratia	Scott	Lane
Daniel	Blair	Ty	Lane
Joshua	Buggy	Adam	Malouf
Justin	Cavanagh	Glen	McCaffery
Kaan	Davies	Nima	Nikfarjam
Mykel	Densley	Wayne	Pearce
Blake	Doran	Matthew	Philbrook
Dale	Fillingham	Carl	Sargeant
Paul	Giles	Mathew	Schensual
Robert	Haberman	Ian	Seal
Peter	Henderson	Craig	Small
Matthew	Kelly	Evan	Stanford

## **Mens Division Two**

The state league started with high expectations of the team, we had a high rotation of players throughout both grades with injuries catching up on us throughout the early part of the season. Throughout the season we were getting a number of players back from injury and suspension as well as having players backing up for both grades throughout this early part of the season. Some of our players had to play up to 2 games most days. We all worked hard through the tough times. We all knew that when we got the all the boys back the results would come and they did. With our second half of the season proving that point. I would like to say special thanks to Craig Adams, Martin Doran and Bruce Smith for all there help throughout the season, our Manager Danielle Mellows, and Reserve grade Coach Paul Ribeiro for his time and effort.

We look forward to a bigger and better season next year.

### ***Kaan Davies***

First Grade Coach

## **2009 Annual General Meeting**

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Clubhouse at Summerhayes Park

# BOYS YOUTH LEAGUE

Well what a year we have had, and for the 13's, they are still having it. At the time of writing this report the 13's are still going through the finals series, and are so enjoying it.

Last year's report, I rambled on about how it felt to Vicki and me, that we had 80 newborn sons and how we held their hands through the year until they became men. Well this year it is along the same lines but now it feels as if we have got a little older, so now that I am the principal at the school, Vicki is the kind receptionist, Craig is the head of education, and the coaches and managers are the teachers.

So on the first day of school, we all went on an excursion to Bathurst to play, and if that was an indication of how schooling was going to be, well bring it on. As all the boys went to class each week to study for their Saturday exams, it was great to see their enthusiasm in the way they learnt. The teachers were always kept on their toes with the questions that were asked and with the rate the boys were advancing in their knowledge of the game. Their classroom was field 1 at Summerhayes where they attended with joy and a spring in their step, rain, hail or shine and oh the cold. It was always a pleasure to see their Mums and Dads standing along the fence line at both training and games. It seemed like they were looking into the classroom window to see if their kids were being good. At times it was hard to control the crowd. They felt so attached to what was going on but it soon got to the stage where they comforted each other. I am also overwhelmed at the progress in which the teams came together as one and looked after each other. The credit has to go to the Coaches and Managers in the way they took control of what was going on and the way they performed their roles. Without their tireless dedication the teams would not have been where they are today. So at this point I would love to thank them all for all their hard work and the amount of time they have put into Youth League since January.

The Coaches and Managers are as follows.

- 13's Coach John Round and Manager Moya Dyer,
- 14's Coach Mark Denny and Manager Bronwyn McLoughlin,
- 15's Coach Rod Petricevic and Manager Howard Rock,
- 16's Coach John Fuller Assistant Coach Rob Hutchinson and Manager Vicki Ruttley,
- 18's Coach Ron Bissett Assistant Coach Terry Frost and Manager's Linda Rozanski and David Harrison.

I would also love to thank Vicki for all her hard work, and for putting up with me and my rampages and demands throughout the year, and keeping it all going forward. Without her kindness and spirited words I know for a fact I would have crumbled. Also to Craig Adams for his direction as Rep Football Coordinator and friend, and for his ability to put a smile on your face when all seemed lost with his quirky catch phrase of HAPPY DAY'S I thank you. Also a big thank you must go to our 3 Sponsors to which you gave so graciously to us. Without your support we would not have been able to achieve our goal of helping the boy's live their dreams of playing rep football so again thank you.

Sponsors are as follows.

- Sinalli Sport at Seven Hills.
- Ori Café Springwood
- S&A Installations Yellow Rock

So until trials in December thank you all, with kind regards

***Martin Doran***

Youth League Coordinator

## **U13 Youth League – 4<sup>th</sup>**

From the first trial game at Bathurst, to being the first Springwood Youth League team in recent history to play in the finals, this team has developed and achieved beyond all expectations. Testament to that development is the toughness and tenacity with which they take to the field and the NEVER SAY DIE

attitude that has pulled them through so many games. This season has been a wonderful journey of extending personal boundaries, developing new skills and talents, forming new friendships and of course exciting football. It turned out to be really exciting, heart thumping, nail biting football. If we didn't have any grey hairs back in March I am sure we've got some now.

It has truly been this team's time to shine.

Sincere thanks go to coach John Round for his tireless dedication, commitment and belief in our sons. Technically proficient, impartial and without agenda with a vision beyond just this season, John led (and pushed) the team to their current success. The boys could not have asked for a better introduction to their rep football careers and this season will hold many wonderful memories.

Thank you to Paul Murray who assisted John with fitness training every Tuesday. I'm sure the boys will count your gruelling workouts amongst their fondest memories!

Thank you also to the fantastic parents for their dedication and support. The boys could not have done this without you.

It has been a privilege and an honour to be involved with these fine young men. They have displayed impeccable sportsmanship and team spirit throughout the year. They are a credit to themselves, their coach, club and their parents. Thank you boys for a great season and your great company. A few of you do however need new material - as stand up comedians you all make great footballers.

With the final and grand final still to play I am positive the best is yet to come.

Best wishes to Nathan Brokman who finished the season after round 20. Good luck in all future endeavours.

2009 U13 YL: Joshua Arndell, Nathan Brokman, Bradley Conway, Craig Curruthers, Matthew Dyer, Caleb Goodlet, Luke Hall, Damian Jones, Adam Murray, Jacob New, James Newton, Nicholas Self, Steve Shute, Jared Trindall, Rhys Webster and Nicholas Wilding.

Coach: John Round

Manager: Moya Dyer

## **U14 Youth League – 10<sup>th</sup>**

The road is long with many a winding turn, sang the Hollies; little did they realise they would be speaking for Springwood U14 Youth League footballers when they penned these immortal lyrics. It was a season of contrasts, with some turns in the road leading to the execution of some truly beautiful football that featured passing sequences that tore oppositions to threads, and revealed the boys to be the equal of any team in the competition. Other turns led to dead ends characterised by basic errors and a lack of self-belief that resulted in the concession of unnecessary goals and defeats. A new coach brought a new philosophy of play, possession based passing football. The team embraced the concept and worked hard at training all season to perfect the art. It was a steep learning curve and the full benefits are still to come, but a wonderful foundation has been laid for the seasons ahead.

Individually, Zac Hibbard in goals proved to be a shot stopper of great skill and potential. Oliver Denny held a changing back four together with commanding displays each week despite carrying injury all season. Liam Bowman, a debutant to YL, overlapped to great penetrating effect on one flank while Alexander Hosking did the same on the other providing width and speed. The team learned to use the middle of the park this season and most players did time in midfield with Lucas Wilkinson being the general who directed play with vision, intelligence and high work rates in every game. He was assisted by the dynamic tackling and whole hearted commitment of Liam Rowntree and the intelligent passing and skilled silken touches of Giles McLoughlin. Sam Walden used his speed and flair to great effect down the left side of every pitch whilst Dylan Sheppard showed his experience and football brain with intelligent, thoughtful ball play. Dan Brown proved, yet again, what a high impact match winner he can be with his running and goal scoring whilst Edward Stewart, in his first season at this level, showed significant potential and versatility, covering many positions during the season. Jarrod Brown used his strength and courage to great effect in all parts of the field and proved to be aerially dominant against all opponents. Kyle Hughes was defensively impressive and very reliable before injury cut short his season and tragically an early season ending knee injury to immensely talented goal scorer John Crawley meant we lost fire power in the final third but not before he showed us how dominant and decisive he can be. Martin Wyburn

and newcomer Rodney Cormack shared the striking responsibilities, with Martin adding some new skills to his already impressive arsenal and Rodney showing touch and skill on the ball that delighted fans as he grew in his confidence to express himself.

The team stayed strong and supportive of one another despite some hard times, and the leadership team worked hard to create a positive example by their commitment and work ethic. But no one worked harder than team manager Bronwyn McLoughlin who needs to be re-signed immediately, before word gets out just how good she is!

Congratulations to the team for a fine season with the promise of even better ones to come.

2009 U14 YL: Liam Bowman, Daniel Brown, Jarrod Brown, Rodney Cormack, John Crawley, Oliver Denny, Zachary Hibbard, Alexander Hosking, Kyle Hughes, Giles McLoughlin, Liam Rowntree, Dylan Sheppard, Edward Stewart, Samuel Walden, Lucas Wilkinson and Martin Wyburn.

Coach: Mark Denny

Manager: Bronwyn McLoughlin

## **U15 Youth League – 9<sup>th</sup>**

It is with great pleasure that I provide the following commentary on the performance of the Springwood Under 15 NSW youth league division 1 squad for 2009.

There are many words I could use to describe the 2009 season but I will use two that encapsulate the essence of our journey this year, Challenging and Rewarding. Our Under 15s squad finished 9<sup>th</sup> in what I will describe a building year, a great many new talents unearthed and many stories to share, but first and foremost without question I am extremely proud of the lads, ultimately the team stayed in touch with the top five, a position which does not truly reflect the closeness of this league particularly the improvement shown by our lads over the last third of the season. Three minutes from beating Fraser Park, the eventual undefeated winners, one of few teams to score against them, Fraser applauding the efforts of our lads is a lasting memory.

We had a terrific start to the season, which in truth favoured us by home games and opposition which would later fall well behind us in the final point tally. The team were then to face the full weight of more experienced opposition which challenged the squad to initiate new ways of working to secure success, rather than fold the lads were stoic to the end and for this I am immensely proud of each and every one of my players, their application, spirit and dedication through a difficult middle third of the season is especially important in the final analysis.

During this period we were to lose our outstanding central defender through injury, our captain through the youth league transfer window, and a horrific period of flu and viral illness. Whilst this period proved to be an extremely testing time for the squad, it was also the most beneficial in learning and development, I take this opportunity to applauded the support of the players, the club and parents through this difficult period, however I am a firm believer that far more is learned in searching for oneself as a player and coach when attempting to break the losing cycle. Many players stepped up to fill the void created by our misfortune, the players continuing to press forward, remain open minded, always focused on improvement and always on winning.

My simple goal at the start of the year was to grow the player's ability and skill in a safe learning environment, and to this end I firmly believe that each and every player has improved from the original baseline performance established at the beginning of the season. The parents and club will be the ultimate judge of this.

To the players who played out favoured positions for the good of the team, fighting to the end I thank you. The lads that played for our 16s and challenged their ability at the next level, I thank you. To the club for your flexibility in allowing true development, I thank. To the parents for your ongoing support, I thank you, To Vicki and Martin for allowing us to get on with developing the young men in my charge, I thank you. To Ian, my fellow coaching staff, for your time and commitment to our great club, and support of me personally I thank you.

In closing I take this opportunity to thank everyone that contributed in any way to the Springwood Under 15s Squad, whilst I haven't named you specifically you have been no less important to us through 2009, however there is one person in particular that requires special acknowledgement, you might say my Rock,



Howard Rock my Manager, who remained as my Manager following the departure of our Captain Jye. Many would have followed their young charges, Howard didn't, and this single display of commitment to the squad is something I have not witnessed in all my years in the game. Howard my sincere thanks for resolve to stay with our squad, limiting the double impact of player and management loss. This was a selfless act for which I and I'm sure all those connected with the team are extremely grateful. Whilst each year brings its own reward and need for change I thank you all for making my first year with the club such a memorable one.

2009 U15 YL: Joshua Baxter, Mitchell Browne, Jonathan Buckley, Troy Burgin, Mitchell Davis, Jordon De Mattia, Brandon Diaz, Ashley Dickson, Tobias Elliott-Orr, Zachary McIlvrde, Matthew Newton, Wade Murray, Michael Petricevic, Jake Rivet, Samuel Timbs and Wade Turner.

Coach: Rod Petricevic

Manager: Howard Rock

## **U16 Youth League – 11<sup>th</sup>**

In a season that could be considered disappointing by some measures, 2009 has thrown up many successes, and some great stories, for the Grade 16 Youth League squad.

To finish eleventh is disappointing for all involved; however, when viewed in its full context, the season has been a success.

The club can be proud of the fact that it has developed players to the point that six of the squad from 2008 progressed to Super League or Premier League Clubs. With only four players returning a complete rebuild was required. The rebuild included three Under 15s and players from seven different clubs, most having never played Youth league before.

In an impeccable, positive manner Coach John Fuller and Manager Vicki Ruttley constructed a caring, developmental environment where the focus was always to give of your best and winning was a bonus. The players responded appropriately.

The successes included; Oliver Carney proving himself as the best keeper in the division (this kid has enormous potential), Matt Herring performing as a good keeper and, selflessly, doubling as a more than competent striker when we were struck with a series of serious injuries, Semon Rakiwskyj proving that his hard work in the off season and his natural talent shone through as pure class, Will Edwards establishing himself as a most admired player, and person, in a very short time, Jesse Gooch scoring a forty metre "screamer" against Fraser Park, Aiden McQueen shoring up our left side defence and midfield after bravely recovering from significant injury, Charles Glenn continuing to show that he is one of the most gifted natural athletes in the league, Daniel Zolfel contributing so much to the positivity and camaraderie of the team, Sam Ogg exemplifying loyalty and dedication of the highest order, Dave Hutchinson building on the experience of the previous season to finish as the team's top goal scorer, Alec Higginson adding class first touches and inch perfect passes, Dylan Thomas coming out of club football to have an outstanding season in the midfield, as a striker, and sweeper, Reuben Hunt – Thompson growing into a threatening force at the front, Joey Fabiano emerging out of Division 3 to be a formidable shock weapon as a Youth League striker, Gene Ahearn always demonstrating that exceptional pace combined with intelligence is an awesome weapon, and, finally, "Captain Courageous" Mitch Willis who led by example every week and developed as a leader so admirably in the eyes of everyone lucky enough to get to know him well. Regardless of results, these young men are a class act, they always give 100%, they have indeed been successful, and they are a delight to be with!

Of course they would not have been successful without their support crew, the support of a raft of significant others. Acknowledgement and much appreciation must go to the parents who stuck by us all so firmly and positively, to the Grade 15 players and Coach Rod Petricevic who gave so generously to keep us going (at one stage we had to borrow five players to field a team) and to stalwarts Vicki Ruttley, Youth League Administrator, and Martin Doran, Youth League Coordinator, thanks for the endless hours and unqualified support, there are none better! You are all just brilliant!

Sadly, Coach John Fuller has taken the decision to retire from coaching after an association of more than 40 years with "the beautiful game." Everyone associated with the club is appreciative of John's contribution to the kids and wishes him all the very best for many more relaxed weekends. It is a surety

that he will get itchy feet, he will miss the game and we will see him around Summerhayes. All the best John!!

### Rob Hutchinson

I would like to thank the boys for giving me 100% every game and wish them all the best for their future. As for Vicki and Rob a coach could not ask for 2 better helpers, Rob's coaching and Vicki's caring and managerial ability are above average and was greatly appreciated by myself and the boys. Martin, thanks mate you do an excellent job, none better. As this is my last year as a coach I would like to wish the youth league and all coaches, managers etc all the success for the future. I will miss it.

### John Fuller

2009 U16 YL: Gene Ahern, Oliver Carney, William Edwards, Joey Fabiano, Charles Glenn, Jesse Gooch, Matthew Herring, Alec Higginson, Reuben Hunt-Thompson, David Hutchinson, Aden McQueen, Samuel Ogg, Semon Rakiwskyj, Dylan Thomas, William Edwards, Mitchell Willis and Daniel Zolfel.

Coach: John Fuller and Rob Hutchinson

Manager: Vicki Ruttley

## **U18 Youth League – 10<sup>th</sup>**

A young U18 Springwood FC squad took the field to compete in the NSW Youth League Div 1 competition for 2009.

The first half of the season was always going to be tough as the more established clubs had their u18s teams already enjoying 4-5 years youth league experience. For a lot of Springwood U18 players, this season was only their second year in representative football.

The team finished the season in 10<sup>th</sup> place recording a total of five wins and seven drawn matches. Such was the closeness of the league that converting a few of our drawn matches into wins would have seen our boys in semi final contention.

The boys demonstrated a willingness to work hard in both pre season and throughout the entire competition. Glimpses of the under 18's true potential started to show itself during the course of the season by recording convincing wins over much more fancied and higher placed teams on the ladder.

The boys always left nothing in the tank after every game and many opposition coaches remarked on always counting on a hard day at the office when they played Springwood FC. A pleasing aspect from a coaching point of view was to observe many of the boys' personal improvement over the course of the season with various aspects of their game.

Congratulations and well done boys in a very tough, hard fought competition. Thank you to Terry Frost (coach) for his time and effort with the boys during the season and thank you to David Harrison & Linda Rozanski for sharing the management duties and keeping us well organized. A special thank you needs to go to the U18 parents for their unwavering support, patience and belief in our lads' potential.

2009 U18 YL: Rowan Carthey (Rowey), Daniel Cavanagh (Cav), Nathan Chapman (Wee Man), Josef Coates (Big Man), Liam Denny (Ranga), James Edge (Jimmy), Matthew Gordon Book Club), Sebastian Harrison (Seb), Sean Higham (Reggie), Joshua Maude (Larry, Curly or Mo), Andrew Pearson (Doodie), Liam Rozanski (Rozzie), Steven Salmon (Samo), Nathan Smith (Smithy), Blake Townsend (BJ) and Mick Werle (Mickywerle).

Coach: Ron Bissett and Terry Frost

Manager: Linda Rozanski

## **2009 Annual General Meeting**

### **5 pm Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2009**

### **Clubhouse at Summerhayes Park**

## FOOTBALL COMPETITION SECRETARY

Once again we are almost at the end of the season and it is gratifying to look back on another successful season on and off the pitch. This year we were once again full to bursting point with a total of 1203 registered players in 107 teams across age groups ranging from U5 upwards.

Our non-competition Football teams playing various forms of the small sided game have all had a successful and enjoyable year from all reports, with 352 players in 48 SSG teams this year and it was great to see so many players returning again this year. The age coordinators for the U5, U6, U7, U8 and U9 age groups took on a much bigger role on match days this year and a great deal of the credit for the smooth running of the SSG's this year goes to them.

Our 52 NDSFA Competition Football teams also had a very good year with 26 teams out of 52 finishing in the top 4 in their divisions. In 797 competitive games we won 316 games, drew a further 148 and lost 302 games with an average haul of 21 points per team. We scored 1569 goals at an average of nearly 2 per game, and had 1579 goals scored against us.

We finished with 6 Premiers, 9 Runners Up and 2 teams, both female, going to the Champion of Champions competition. By the time this goes to press we will no doubt also have a number of Grand Final and Pennant winners as well.

The Summerhayes fields started the season in much better condition than the previous season and having all 3 fields available from the first weekend this year made life easier for everyone. A big thank you to Ian Sargent and his assistants who once again spent a great deal of their spare time lining the fields on a regular basis throughout the season. The grounds team not only put the posts up at the beginning of the season and remove them at the end but they even moved the main field posts during the season to even out the wear and tear on the goalmouth areas.

The fields suffered through overuse and this is normal for a club of our size but the main reason they are in their current poor state was due to the rain that lasted for three weeks. With water sitting on the grass for such a long time it killed the growth and reduced the playing surface to dirt. Let us hope the wind holds off until some growth returns.

My job was made easier this year by the huge amount of help and support that I received from various people. I'd like to personally thank all of the age coordinators, the members of the football and management committee who helped me with my role this year, as well as fulfilling their own role, and of course all of the coaches and managers without whom none of this would happen. It still amazes me that we manage to run such a large and complex organisation so well without paid employees. So a big thank you to one and all and I look forward to seeing you all again next year.

**Peter Nangle**  
Competition Secretary

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## SMALL SIDED GAME TEAM REPORTS

### U5 Bowerbirds – (non competitive)

This unique team consists of Declan McKay, Dylan O'Flanagan, Oliver Short, Luca Goudis, Michael Baker and our youngest team member Declan McDougall, Peter McKay was the Coach. The team started off not knowing what they were doing or where they were going but in the end they all managed to find their way to the goals. Luca had great skill in running the ball all the way up and scoring. Dylan O'Flanagan was a bit lost for the half of the season but in the end he turned out to be a great player scoring himself his first few goals. Oliver Short was always in there giving it a go being a great team member and passing well to the other players. Michael Baker had some great goals and excellent effort at tackling for the ball. Little Declan McDougall was the smallest, youngest and he gave his very best effort to help out the team. Declan McKay was always in there tackling and running with the ball to try to score with some successful results. A very good effort to the whole team they turned out to be a great team keep it up next year boys.

2009 Bowerbirds: Michael Baker, Luca Goudis, Declan McDougall, Declan McKay, Dylan O'Flanagan and Oliver Short.

Coach: Peter McKay

Manager: Melinda Morris

### U5 Cockatoos – (non competitive)

Our team started out enthusiastic and eager to play soccer for the first time...each of them bringing their own special skills and personalities to the team. Despite this enthusiasm we did face a few challenges in the early weeks, such as, keeping players from randomly wandering off for self determined drink breaks, keeping them all running in the same direction, and encouraging them to not pick up the ball. Within a few weeks...they had it down pat!!

Mitchell, Michael, Ben, Rohan, Thomas and Lachlan should all be proud of the efforts they made this year, and the new skills they have gained. It was a pleasure to coach the Cockatoo's and to get to know the kids and their families. I'm sure they will all enjoy playing soccer for many years to come.

2009 Cockatoos: Rohan Borg, Thomas Brischetto, Michael Dillen, Benjamin Mallin, Lachlan Schofield and Mitchell Scott.

Coach: Joseph Brischetto

Manager: Daniel Scott

### U5 Condors – (non competitive)

What a fantastic season we had this year as the Condors came together to start their footballing careers. They were a competitive mix of boys and girls. The small sided games allowed for all our players to get heaps of game time.

Unfortunately the weather has played a big interruption this year. The Condors have continued to improve each week and it has been a pleasure being their coach. We certainly have the loudest cheer after each game.

A special thanks to Carey who fulfilled the manager duties this year. Also to the extended supporter group who have turned up to training and games throughout the year and stepped in when I couldn't make it. Thank you for your support.

- Amber – was a star all year. Amber took to soccer like a fish to water. She worked hard in defence and scored some great goals throughout the season. Well done Amber
- Bailey – Bailey had good ball control, and once steered in the right direction he went all the way down the field. Great kicking Bailey.
- Caitlin – Caitlin always tried hard and showed some determination and improvement as the season progressed. Caitlin always enjoyed seeing her soccer friends each week and looked forward to Saturday mornings

- Ethan D – Small by stature but don't let that fool you. Ethan D whilst cautious around the bigger players initially, Ethan D confidence grew as the season progressed. I especially liked his extended run-offs for the kick offs and goal kicks. Well Done Ethan D
- Ethan S – Ethan S had a great season and improved throughout the year. Ethan always tried his best and was a strong all round performer. I especially like his super long kicks for his dad. Great Job Ethan S.
- Rose – Rose worked hard at training and games. She started off quiet until she heard about the weekly trophy. Rose was a consistent performer throughout the year. Well done Rose

2009 Condors: Ethan Day, Marius Edmonds, Caitlin Graham, Bailey King, Rose Miall, Amber Rowe and Ethan Steain.

Coach: Caitlin Graham

Manager: Charley Day

### **U5 Eagles – (non competitive)**

Well done to this little team of champions. Let hope we see them all next season..

2009 Eagles: Conor Cox, Marius Edmonds, Jaedon Lotz, James Ruttle, Liam Sibbald and Daniel Young.

Coach: Sasha Lotz

Manager: Viv de Boar

### **U5 Falcons - (non competitive)**

The Falcons are a good bunch of kids who came together at the start of the year without too much of an idea about this great game of football.

As a team we have worked hard on our dribbling and increasingly on passing. This has really paid off as towards the end of the season the kids have become increasingly confident with a ball at their feet and there has been some brilliant passing to create goal scoring opportunities.

We have had some bloodied noses, great interest in dogs with fluffy tails, aeroplanes and to everybody's surprise players finding the need for binoculars on the field.

All in all it was a bunch of fun and I hope all the boys had a good time and learnt some new skills. I know that it is clear to me that they have learnt and improved throughout the season.

Thanks to all the parents who have contributed to a great season, special thanks to some of the dads who have helped at training and coaching the kids when I have had other coaching commitments.

2009 Falcons: Lachlan Cotter, Clayton Malouf, Finn McDonald, Riley Milton, Max Murphy and Daniel Skinner.

Coach: Adam Malouf

Manager: Kerry Malouf

### **U5 Hawks – (non competitive)**

Well, what a first year of soccer for our future stars. As the season started it was quickly clear ours was a team of mixed abilities with many of our players completely new to the game. However they all improved, which was really encouraging for Dave and myself as we were novices in our roles too.

- Lior Hadari showed early that he had a good understanding of the game and high skill level. As the year progressed he only continued to improve.
- Emilee Schatzman played exceptionally well with great skill and showed us that playing well and being a good sport does go together.
- Nicholas Robinson only started half way through the year and after a few games of getting used to the idea, showed everyone his ability. By far the team's most improved player.
- Elijah Diagne tried hard all year with consistent effort and loved being part of a team. Elijah showed a large improvement from the start of the year.
- Daniel Salisbury was always willing to go on the field and help the team, showing a large improvement in the last couple of games.
- Liam Golder enjoyed getting on the field with his team mates and helping out where he was able. Liam continued to grow as the season drew to a close.

Personally, I have enjoyed each week by the little things the children brought to training and the game day, their big smiles and funny senses of humour. But most of all, seeing the amazing change in each one of them as the season progressed.

To all the players, I hope that your introduction into soccer was enjoyable and that you continue your careers into 2010. To the parents, thank you for your patience, support and understanding throughout the year.

2009 Hawks: Elijah Diagne, Liam Golder, Lior Hadari, Nicholas Robinson, Daniel Salisbury and Emilee Schatzman.

Coach: David Hadari

Manager: Stewart Golder

### **U5 Kites – (non competitive)**

Well done to this little team of champions. Let hope we see them all next season..

2009 Kites: Oliver Alves-Jones, Max Becker, James Clain, Olivia De La Harpe, Wilson Douglas and Lachlan Nicolle.

Coach: Nathan Douglas

Manager: Alan Nicole

### **U5 Kookaburras – (non competitive)**

What a great season the Under 5 Kookaburra's have had. It was their first year at football and my first year as coach. I don't know who had more fun. The boys developed their skills increasingly over the season. In the beginning we learnt things like no hands on the ball and which way are we running. By the end we were concentrating on dribbling and passing the ball to our team mates. Throughout the entire season our main focus was to have FUN, and we did.

- Thomas Davies started off a bit shy but got into the game by the end and had a great time chasing the ball around. He played that fast that he had time to point out to me, whilst playing, important things like 'the moon is still out', and 'look at that plane or bird flying over', or how he 'looked like a teenager because his shadow was so tall! He even had time to eat his breakfast every Saturday on the field. Well done "Tommy Turtle".
- James Dehombre was unstoppable when he had the ball, carving his way up the middle and was a goal scoring machine. What impressed me the most though was the way he learnt to pass the ball to a team mate even when he had a clear shot. I know you had a great time this season James and you put in 100 % every game.
- Mason Evans although the youngest in our team has one of the biggest kicks in the game. His kick offs and goal kicks were terrific. Mason is a quiet achiever who never gave up all season and is a hard worker in training and at the game. Well done Mason, it is great to see you trying so hard.
- Cameron Morris would have to win the prize for the biggest smile whenever he scored a goal. You brightened up the whole game when you were on a roll. A bit quiet at the start of the season, you progressed into quite the team player by mid season, trying very hard on the weekends. I'm very proud of how you finished the season.
- Ethan Power was busting to get out and play football after having watched his older brother for 3 years and the first goal scored was proof of that. You played hard all year and gave 100% every game. I am very proud of your good sportsmanship not only to your team mates but to the other teams as well.
- Flynn Shiels although the smallest member of our team he had the longest run up for a kick I've ever seen at Springwood. His tackling and defending skills improved over the season. He was always enthusiastic and happy and a great acrobat on and off the field.

Thanks to all the parents for your support on the weekends and help at training. Be proud of your kids, they worked hard and had fun.

2009 Kookaburras: Thomas Davies, James Dehombre, Mason Evans, Cameron Morris, Ethan Power and Flynn Shiels.

Coach: Greg Powers

Manager: Chantell Morris



## **U5 Magpies – (non competitive)**

The Magpies enjoyed a wonderful year of football. Hutch (our coach) showed remarkable patience as he instructed them on the basics of ball skills, fitness/ stretching, attack and defence. By the end of the season, they had a good grasp of the game. I don't think we could've asked for a better coach to start their football journey or a more supportive sideline - thank you parents, relatives and friends!

- Connor Taylor loved the long chase, stealing the ball from the opposition and scored many goals including a 'cracker' from the sideline in the final match.
- Omar Griffiths-Saw had the ability to take the ball from one end to the other and preferred the long range shot. Omar was our most prolific goal scorer including some for the other teams.
- Jessica Ellis gained confidence each week contesting the ball and was most effective in the midfield.
- Jasper Taylor loved the long run up to take sideline and goal line kicks and generally loved kicking the ball as far as he could. He was also sometimes caught dreaming about his future as Chelsea's goalkeeper.
- Isaac Hutchinson also improved each week, especially once he turned 5. Isaac was great at freeing the ball from the huddle and going on the offensive.
- Hannah Creelman showed an understanding of the game early in the season and had a natural defensive game much to the frustration of the opposition. Hannah also scored many of the team's goals.

Thanks again to Andrew Hutchinson for his commitment to the team and for his outstanding coaching skills. To Rebecca, for providing a nourishing fruit salad each week to keep the teams energy levels up, a big thank you. And finally to the players for entertaining us each week, well done!

2009 Magpies: Hannah Creelman, Jessica Ellis, Omar Griffiths-Saw, Isaac Hutchinson, Conna Taylor and Jasper Taylor.

Coach: Andrew Hutchinson

Manager: Paul Creelman

## **U5 Vultures – (non competitive)**

The Vultures entered the Football season with much anticipation and excitement. The early training sessions were lots of fun as we worked out exactly what we needed to do each week to practice and in games. The team soon found their feet in games (after working out which way to run) and a wealth of goals followed. As the season progressed the team's skills developed extremely well and by the end of the season we had a team of footballing stars in the making. Some favourite training drills included Sharks and Fishes (which worked on tackling, dribbling and vision) and the kick and chase exercise which worked on the kids chasing down the ball, changing direction and dribbling back to the mark. These drills were implemented by the team during matches which was needed as all the teams improved their skill levels over the year.

The kids had an absolute ball this year. They supported each other in goal celebrations, would always be happy to substitute for other players and strong friendships were made. The Vultures played hard and would step up to the challenges different teams presented each week. They would always play fairly, handing over the ball if they kicked it out, giving the other teams room to take kick offs and always shaking hands at the end of games.

To the parents of the Vultures it has been an absolute pleasure coaching the players in 2009 and a thank you to all for your weekly commitment in getting them to games and training each week.

2009 Vultures: Jordan Hather, Ben Muddle, Joel Muddle, Abigail Rogers, Ethan Sophokleous and Lachlan Tarleton.

Coach: Lance Rogers

Manager: Lance Rogers

## **U6 Bears – (non competitive)**

The Bear's had a great season in 2009, in which all boys played some great football, developed their skills, cemented some fine friendships and had a lot of fun!

The team was Travis Gapes, Adam Regent, Oliver Tebay, Lachlan Willis, William Wilson-Burns and Eamonn Luchetti. The team was coached by Brendan Luchetti and Jared Robinson and managed by Matt Willis.

- Travis had a fantastic season with many highlights, including quite a few spectacular goals! Travis was a constant presence around the ball, with his incredible speed ensuring he was always in a position to make a tackle or get a kick, well done on a great year, Travis.
- Adam was one of our big improvers of the year. Full of enthusiasm and an abundant supply of energy Adam enjoyed every training session and game and scored some great goals during the season, well done on a great year, Adam.
- Ollie had a busy season where he was one of our most determined and focused players week in week out. Ollie made plenty of great runs with the ball and his goal shooting was always on the mark. Well done on a great year, Ollie.
- Lachie had a great season! Playing with skill and determination he kicked plenty of wonderful goals and in general play he was never far from the ball and always heavily involved. Well done on a great year, Lachie.
- William enjoyed every game and training session and he was playing some of his best football by seasons end. A mark of his game was his speed and enthusiasm as well as his super kick-offs and kick ins, well done on a great year William.
- Eamonn was always a very active and enthusiastic member of the team who was busy in every game. As well getting plenty of kicks he was always a strong defender, making plenty of tackles each match. Well done on a great year, Eamonn.

Thanks to Jared and Matt for their assistance with the team and to all of the parents who supported the team throughout the season. The greatest indicator of the success of the Bears this year was the size of the smiles on the boys faces each Saturday.

2009 Bears: Travis Gapes, Eamonn Luchetti, Adam Regent, Oliver Tebay, Lachlan Willis and William Wilson-Burns.

Coach: Brendan Luchetti

Manager: Matthew Willis

## **U6 Bobcats – (non competitive)**

A great season, the boys, Gabriel, Sam, Darcy, Leo, Matthew, Leo and Owen developed well as a team over the year. Great thanks to Jono as assistant coach giving variety and fitness to the training sessions.

- Gabriel is developing into a good all around player, great skills in passing and shooting.
- Sam has worked hard this year and has great ball control and very fast in moving around the field.
- Darcy exploded into form at the end of the year popping up everywhere, great defensive player.
- Leo continues to develop and is consistently in everything, trying his hardest every game.
- Matthew the new boy this year settled in like an old hand, always in the thick of the action, his left foot confusing every one.
- Owen continued on improving this year shooting goals from all over the park and passing to his team mates.

The main focus this season was on team work and being a good sport. Well done Bobcats a great season. Thank you to Jono and Carolyn for all their time and also a big thank you to the parents for the cold training sessions and the ongoing support

2009 Bobcats: Gabriel Bagatella, Leo Campaner, Samuel Edwards, Owen Harris, Matthew Hurley and Darcy Rafter.

Coach: Craig Harris

Manager: Carolyn Edwards

## **U6 Cougars – (non competitive)**

This year saw much improvement from the Cougars as well as two new players playing the sport for the first time in Reg Dixon and Oliver Marshall. The boys had two young coaches who very kindly (and bravely) volunteered their time to teach the boys the game and also ensure they all had some fun. Both Jayden Bennett and Kiahn Johnston did an outstanding job as coaches at training during the week and taking the games on Saturday. All the parents were extremely grateful and the kids had a great time too.

- Zac skills improved significantly from season one. He was always moving forward with the ball and proved to be an effective striker. He was always enthusiastic and valued team player who earned many goals (and Mars Bars).
- Reg enjoyed his first season of soccer. His confidence grew with each game. Reg's speed became useful tool in defense and attack.
- Dom a valuable all rounder with a big boot. He proved effective in the tackling as well as in attack. He would not hesitate in getting in the middle of things to get the ball moving.
- Matthew continues to build on his skills from last year. A keen striker with a powerful left boot Matthew was able to dominate in tackles and score many goals for the Cougars.
- Brandon always enjoyed himself during the games and at training. He regularly threw himself into the thick of the action without hesitation.
- Oliver was an energetic team member who had fun at training and matches. This was Oliver's first season and his ball control skills improved significantly. He was always eager to participate.
- William an enthusiastic defender who delighted in turning the ball over. William demonstrated great skills in reading the play and used these skills in preventing many goals.

All in all, another enjoyable season for the Cougars.

2009 Cougars: Zachary Carvasiglia, Reg Dixon, Dominic Eijkman, Matthew Gilchrist, Brandon Jones, Oliver Marshall and William Turner.

Coach: Jayden Bennett

Manager: Daniel Turner

## **U6 Dingos – (non competitive)**

The Under 6 Dingo's had an "excellent" season. Each week the boys showed great skill, determination and energy. It has been wonderful to watch the concerted effort toward teamwork with the boys showing they can implement training techniques into their game which has seen some excellent team passing, resulting in numerous goals by "all the boys" over the season. I've really enjoyed being the manager and I am extremely proud of all the kids. I would like to thank our coach Dave Roach for his tireless efforts. Many thanks also to the parents of the boys who graciously turned up each week to offer much needed encouragement and support.

- Alec Riley – Alec's commitment, drive and focus made him unstoppable - a force to be reckoned with on the field. He used his speed and strength to support his fellow team mates.
- Keenan Crisp – A valued team player Keenan showed great skill, determination and was always ready for action.
- Lachlan Bailey – Lachlan's skills just kept improving as the season progressed. Always busy with the ball and always right in amongst the action.

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- Louis Heritage – Louis really improved as the season unfolded. He constantly stayed with the play, never giving up.
- Lyam Grayson - Lyam improved immensely during the season and became very confident on the ball. Towards the end of season Lyam was engaging the opposition and making great attacking runs.
- Max Odlin – Max's confidence with the ball grew as the season progressed. His involvement in the general play has been wonderful.
- Nicholas Sharp – Thanks to Nicholas's finesse on the field he had the knack of getting through the opposition with his tricky foot manoeuvres. A great player with speed to burn.

2009 Dingos: Lachlan Bailey, Keenan Crisp, Lyam Grayson, Louis Heritage, Max Odlin, Alec Riley and Nicholas Sharp.

Coach: David Roach

Manager: Mandy Odlin

## **U6 Jaguars – (non competitive)**

Well done to this little team of champions. Let hope we see them all next season..

2009 Jaguars: Maxwell Blandin De Chalain, Liam Campbell-Jubb, Matthew Campbell-Jubb, Mitchell Cunningham, Luke Major, Benjamin Tracey and Matthew Ward.

Coach: Peter Tracey

Manager: Adam Major

## **U6 Lions – (non competitive)**

Well another Session over for the Under 6 lions. A typical Saturday Morning from the Lion Cave would be to battle the car park area to try and find somewhere to park in the 2777 postcode, then we would wander down to the SSG fields, there would be the usual good humour about Parramatta losing again (they were when the soccer was on) amidst the Lions tearing around ignoring their parents pleas to "Slow Down" or "Watch out for the other people" or "Save your energy for the game". Once the highly organised manager (or in his absence - his assistant) corralled us to the correct field, the rugs and deck chairs where set up and parents and grandparents where set for an hour long visual sporting spectacular. Our rebel (he never wore his "Coach" vest) coaching guru would bridle his young charges, and the contest would begin.

- Lilly Reynolds- She always arrived with a smile and a great surprise to show off, once on the field she chased and tackled her heart out.
- Patrick Costigan- New to the Lions this year, Patrick amazed us with his ability to learn the game so quickly and was super fast and a tenacious defender.
- Ethan Muller - Renowned for his skills and deadly slide tackles, Ethan ball control skills where the envy of other teams.
- Sam Peters - Another new comer to the team, Sam showed he has what it takes to make a great player, always willing to get in and have a go.
- Ethan Szymyka - One of the speed team, Ethan would be in one place, you would blink and next be would be at the other end of the field scoring long range goals.
- Lachlan Morris - Lachlan surprised himself with what he could achieve on the soccer field this year, whether in attack or defence he put in a 100% effort.

Special thanks must go to our great coach, Steve Muller who was there week in and week out for training and games. Steve was full of encouragement for all the team members and the incredible improvement the Lions made throughout the year was fully attributed to Steve. Thanks also to Dave who filled in on the odd occasion.

To the parents, grandparents and siblings who also came every week to cheer every substitution and every goal (regardless of what team scored). I know the Lions cubs experience was greatly enhanced by having such a wonderful supporter base. Hopefully next year the grand mums will not have to be constantly reminded by the manager to focus on the game at hand, and not next weeks' knitting pattern.

**Merry Christmas and a Safe New Year**

Finally best of luck to Lyndall, Robert and Lilly for the upcoming addition to their lovely family. So the year has finished, and no more early Saturday mornings. I sure am going to miss that.

2009 Lions: Patrick Costigan, Lachlan Morris, Ethan Muller, Sam Peters, Lillian Reynolds and Ethan Szymtka.

Coach: Steve Muller

Manager: Warren Morris

## **U6 Panthers – (non competitive)**

Congratulations to all the Panthers players for a great season and good teamwork. This was the first season of soccer for the kids and with a regular core team of only four players each weekend they did a fantastic job and held their own, winning more often than not.

- Caleb Frost – what a trooper and an enthusiastic player. Mr Reliable scored almost every game and was all over the park – great teamwork.
- Lachlan Maurer - tough little player, never afraid to get involved and have a go – great goal-scoring and strong upfront, tearing through the opposition.
- Amy Kilner – always keen to get on the field, great team spirit, scored a few goals and not afraid to get in and mix it with the boys.
- Jasmine Moffitt-Bourke – good defence and teamwork, always ready to run onto the park and a big smile was never far away.
- Amelia Clare – a real character, lively personality and valued member of the team whenever she played.

Many thanks to the enthusiasm of coaches - Alex Barker for getting the kids off to a great start and Mick Maurer for directing them around the field each weekend. Additional thanks to Adam Frost, Isaac Frost and Nick Kilner for their assistance with training and game days and to all the parents for bringing the kids along each week.

Great work Panthers for an enjoyable season – hope to see you all back next year.

2009 Panthers: Amelia Clare, Caleb Frost, Amy Kilner, Lachlan Maurer and Jasmine Mofit-Bourke.

Coach: Mick Maurer

Manager: Benice Kilner

## **U6 Tigers – (non competitive)**

Well what a great year the Tigers had with only 2 of the players having played football before. The season did not start off very well with confusion over who was in the team and who wasn't. The kids started off the season with the idea of seeing who could kick the ball the longest and hoping it went in the opposition goal, however as the year progressed everyone starting to improve and play as a team and play for each other.

Our passing game improved as did the listening both on and off the field, the improvement that was shown by the Tigers not only the Football side of things but also the Personal growing side was unbelievable you should all be very proud of yourselves.

This was great to see as we had a few disruptions throughout the season with players pulling out and not turning up etc, but a big mention to Joseph, Nicholas, Ellie, Blake and Jacob for turning up and always putting in 100% every time they pulled on the Tigers Shirt.

A big thank you to all the parents for making the effort to not only bring them to the games but also training. The support, the cheering every week on the sidelines made everyone of those children smile and feel so proud of themselves every time they took to the field, thank you very much.

It was a great year and an absolute pleasure to coach the Tigers in 2009 thank you.

2009 Tigers: Jacob Frewin, Jacob Hickey, Joseph Iverson, Blake Jones, Nicholas Kay, Zahlie Vidler and Ellie Watson.

Coach: Brett Jones

Manager: David Watson

## **U6 Wildcats – (non competitive)**

We started the 2009 soccer season with six players; Alyssa Chapman, Jack Davidson, Alex Gismondo, Jack Kuypers, Miles Lidster and Nicky Roberts. Annie Boys joined the team halfway through the season.

As coach of the Wildcats it was encouraging seeing the players and their families come to training and our games and enjoy themselves whilst learning new skills and playing as a team. All our players were new to soccer, except Jack Davidson.

- Alyssa realised early in the season that soccer was not for her. Thank you Alyssa for playing with the U6 Wildcats, even if it was only for a short time.
- Nicky's determination and big kick were well appreciated by the team. Had she not fallen sick during the season I'm sure she would have continued playing with the Wildcats.
- Jack Davidson just loved playing soccer. His ball skills and his ability to understand what is happening in the game truly reflected his passion.
- Alex enjoyed playing in defence most. He showed true determination and skill in keeping the ball out of our goal. By the end of the season Alex was also playing in attack and running well with the ball.
- Jack Kuypers or 'Jack Jack' as he was known by the team enjoyed running around the field. Jack found his soccer feet by the end of the season and was keen to run the ball up the field.
- Miles enjoyed playing in attack and worked to move the ball up the field. He began to feel more comfortable playing in defence too.
- Annie was a great help joining the Wildcats halfway through the season when we only had four players. She showed her commitment and determination to get in there and 'have a go'. Her caring nature was much appreciated when her team members were injured.

During the season all the Wildcats showed big improvements in their skill development. Well-done Wildcats. I really enjoyed coaching you this season. Thank you to our manager, Peter Kuypers and to the families of the Wildcats for their encouragement and support.

2009 Wildcats: Annie Boys, Jack Davidson, Alex Gismondo, Jack Kuypers, Miles Lidster and Nicole Roberts.

Coach: Kerrie Hurcum

Manager: Peter Kuypers

## **U6 Wolves – (non competitive)**

Another great soccer season has come to an end, much to the disappointment of the U6 Wolves.

Our team: Braedyn Dayman, Campbell Rogers, Jaiden Bes, Jake McLenaghan, Nick Bosanquet (our newest member) and Samuel Johnson have had a truly successful year.

Our second season of soccer saw the kids individual skills develop and improve as they gained confidence each week. During subs, the boys eagerly awaited for their turn back on the field, not wanting to miss out on the fun. Each week saw the boy's improve greatly.

Team work was the boy's greatest accomplishment this season. Passing the ball, providing support and not tackling their own players!

Training sessions were lots of fun. The boys enjoyed practice games against coach the best. Beating him was the highlight of every session.

A later start time this year was certainly appreciated by our parents. A huge thank you to our U6 Wolves parents for all their support at training and on game day. It was great to hear our parents encouraged and praised not only their child but all our team members. We have thoroughly enjoyed your company.

**Have a safe and Merry Christmas**



With many new skills learnt, friendships built on and lots of fun had, our 2009 season has been truly rewarding. We look forward to doing it all again in 2010.

Well done to all our boys on an excellent season.

2009 Wolves: Jaiden Bes, Nicholas Bosavquet, Braedyn Dayman, Samuel Johnson, Jake McLenaghan and Campbell Rogers.

Coach: Garran Dayman

Manager: Jane Bes

### **U7 Adders – (non competitive)**

The progress of these children has been astounding this season. They are playing as a team, passing the ball and doing it all with good sportsmanship. What more can a coach ask for?

All of these children have come so far this season and I am proud to have had the opportunity to be their coach.

Thank you to the parents for coming out on those cold winding nights at training, and for your support with giving these children a great opportunity to play a fantastic team sport and have some fun in the process.

Thank you to Claudine for being our team manager and keeping us well informed with all the necessary information.

For the kids I would like to say thank you for making me laugh every week with your 7 year old antics. Your parents and I are very proud of you all this season, keep practicing and I hope see you next season.

2009 Adders: Michael Bettencourt, Logan Heron, Connor Hogan, Cameron Hume, Joshua Langenberg, Daniel Mendham and Amaya Moxham.

Coach: Jodie Hume

Manager: Claudine Hogan

### **U7 Anacondas – (non competitive)**

Thanks for all the fun and excitement this year as our little team developed into football players.

2009 Anacondas: James Challinor, Oscar Goddard, Lillian Patterson, Drew Power, Nathan Prott, Zoe Scott and Cooper Sellinger.

Coach: Matt Challinor

Manager: Katie Power

### **U7 Blacks – (non competitive)**

What a great year it was, fun and laughs at training and in the games, with wonderful parents, grandparents and other family members supporting the team.

A new look team showed they were ready to take the hard knocks, and laugh and play, every chance we could.

A new coach and a good balance of girls and boys showed what fun it can be scoring or saving goals.

- Gabby Bradley – Improved yet again this year. Scored some goals and ran for the team all day. Dribbled forward quickly and took some hard knocks while always smiling. Well done Gabby.
- Chloe Chapman – Most improved player this year. Kept on improving with her determination on the field, a valued team player with her dribbling skills out of defense and tackling. Fantastic season Chloe.
- Jude Jones – Mr. Orange shins, wasn't afraid to tackle and scored some super goals this year. Has improved very well in his second year and is, as always best friends with all his teammates. Superman Jones.
- Luke Renneberg – Scored some great goals, and was a great team player. Passed the ball and tackled well this season. Luke was the best long ball kicker in the team with many great long kicks from defense. Well played Luke.

- Liam Smith – Liam's first year had many highlights with goals and some bumps and bruises that showed how good a footballer he will be. Run hard and don't be afraid to get in there to tackle. Great effort Liam.
- Nicholas Strudwick – What a great defensive effort from Nicholas. With a couple of goals in the early games of the season, Nic decided that the team needed a tackler at the back. If you are not going to be a forward, learn to head, screen and tackle. That's our Nic.
- Alexandra Vujevic – Alexandra's first year with the blacks. Began to shoot from a distance, had good control and scored some value-able five dollar goals. Very quick and good team player. What a player is Alexandra.

Team Blacks - We play a game that we all play well. It was fun, and the Blacks looked great in the end of season shirts that had our names on the back. We played well, and we looked better.

Well done Blacks. Three cheers for all of you, and your supporters - HIP HIP HOOORAY

2009 Blacks: Gabrielle Bradley, Chloe Chapman, Jude Jones, Luke Renneberg, Liam Smith, Nicholas Strudwick and Alexandra Vujevic.

Coach: Brett Smith

Manager: Ian Strudwick

### **U7 Browns – (non competitive)**

For many of the U7 Browns, this was their first year playing soccer. By season end, they were playing very well. Player confidence had increased and as a result of getting to know one another, signs of team bonding began to show and timidity diminished. During the second half of the season, matches were being played with determination, team work and fairness. There was always a great sense of sportsmanship both within the team as well as toward the opposition and referees.

Aidan Bastick's ball skills were constantly keeping our opposition at bay. Timothy Lambert could be counted on to provide long range kicking from deep within our half, while Matthew Thistleton weaved in and around opposing players, providing great setups for goal scoring. Owen Ruttle provided great coverage on the field during every game. Nathan Dillen was our fearless tackler and proved to be a formidable opponent. Jordan Schofield contributed significantly to our defense by deflecting many shots at goal. Hayden Scott was always in the middle of the action, whether up front or sweeping around the goal mouth.

Many thanks to our Club's Management & Chaplain (Damon), our Team Manager (Tim Schofield), the boy's parents and siblings who helped support our team.

This assistance was invaluable.

2009 Browns: Aidan Bastick, Nathan Dillen, Timothy Lambert, Owen Ruttle, Jordan Schofield, Hayden Scott and Matthew Thistleton.

Coach: Clive Dillen

Manager: Tim Schofield

### **U7 Cobras – (non competitive)**

The Under 7 Cobra's embraced the second year of the SSG's. The boys developed to another level as they were pressed for space and had to develop their ball skills, passing game and team work. Their team work and levels improvement were outstanding. Every one of the boys tried as hard as they possibly could and worked as a team. Many of our games were outstanding and the fact that none of the boys gave up was very pleasing. I was very proud of how the boys played this season and can't wait to see their improvement next year.

- Owen Gersbach: It was Owen's first season with the Cobras, but you wouldn't have known it. Owen tried extremely hard and developed his ball skills throughout the season. His team work was outstanding as Owen was always there to help out scoring a few great goals as well.
- Mitchell Smith: Mitchy had a great season scoring some cracking goals. He never gave up and was always there in support of his team mates. Mitchy improved from strength to strength and was always tackling, passing and working hard for his team.

- Aaron Stubbs: Aaron had a fantastic season and is a great team player. Aaron never stopped trying, he is fantastic in defence and stopped some certain goals. Aaron improved so much this season and was responsible for scoring some great goals through the year.
- Joshua Sneesby: Josh had a brilliant year and was the team's regular enforcer in the backline. Josh saved some certain goals and when he wasn't defending he was up there in attack scoring some great goals, Josh took some big hits and never gave up for his team.
- Harrison Saunders: Harrison had a blinder this season, scoring every week for his team. Harrison was always there in defence and attack and this season positioned himself brilliantly to set up his team mates for goals. Harrison took some big hits and never stopped trying, his passing game really developed.
- Liam Warrick: Liam was on fire this year regularly scoring for his team. Liam never stopped trying and improved out of sight. Liam was always there for his team and proved great in defence. Liam was always shooting for goal and scored some crackers, especially with his left boot.
- Dean Twomey: Dean doesn't stop. Dean had a corker of a season and was all over the park. He chased in defence like a champion and tackled all day. Dean scored some great goals and also took some huge hits. He never stopped trying all year and improved out of sight.

I would also like to thank my co coach Dave Twomey for his outstanding efforts and the team manager Ian Stubbs for running the team. I couldn't have coached the boys without you. I would also like to thank the other parents that helped out. The parent night outs were a blast and we are blessed to have such a great group of kids and parents.

2009 Cobras: Owen Gersbach, Harrison Saunders, Mitchell Smith, Joshua Sneesby, Aaron Stubbs, Dean Twomey and Liam Warrick.

Coach: Scott Saunders

Manager: Ian Stubbs

## **U7 Copperheads – (non competitive)**

The Copperheads had another great year this year with nearly all the boys continuing on from last year with one new edition to the team. The competition was fierce this year and as the season went on all teams seemed to be getting harder and harder to play against.

The boys played some great football and each weekend focussed on a different skill. Some of the goals scored this year were through some brilliant passing with one goal in particular going from one end of the field to the other with every player getting a touch and one touch passes. The boys should be very proud of themselves as they encompassed a true team mentality in every game. Although some players have more developed skills than others, all the boys got a chance and each team mate cheered on each other when they did something good. The team were as follows:

- Adam "Mr Consistency" Beckett – No matter what team we were up against, Adam was always great in attack and defence. He never gave up and produced some of the best plays of the season from his determination.
- Michael "Rocket Leg" Christof – Michael has a great talent all over the park and other players learn a lot from watching him. He also scored a cracker of a goal this year when kicking in a goal kick scored at the other end of the field.
- Ben "The Rock" Corne – Ben showed some great skills this year from training with older teams and was rarely beaten in defence. His passes were crisp and always to the right player.
- Thomas "Hair Flick" Ford – Looking like a model EPL player and hitting the ground just as much as they do, Thomas played some great games this year and always played every game with an enjoyment that shows his love of the game.
- Isaac "The Iceman" Frost – Keeping cool under pressure situations and carving through sides like he was a slalom skier. Isaac liked to try all the new skills he learned in games making for some great entertainment.
- Flynn "The Axe" Mackay – When his leg winds up players know to get out of the way. Flynn had some great games this year and showed some great positional play when in attack and defence.

- Callum “The Wolf” Wulff – Always there to pounce on the loose ball. Callum had a great first year of football and as the season grew so did his confidence. He scored some great goals at the end of the year and did some heavy tackling to save some certain goals.

Special thanks goes to Adam “The boys coach themselves” Corne for all the hard work he did coaching the boys and just making the game enjoyable for both kids and spectators. His positive attitude has given the boys the right start to how they view sport.

2009 Copperheads: Adam Beckett, Michael Christof, Benjamin Corne, Thomas Ford, Isaac Frost, Flynn Mackay and Callum Wulff.

Coach: Adam Corne

Manager: Richard Ford

## **U7 Greens – (non competitive)**

What a season! U7 Greens: An eclectic group of kids, full of energy and fervour, often having only 4 players to Field, plus the borrowed help of a gutsy *little* brother, Conna. Many of us were ‘beginners’, but played with a great enthusiasm, developing our skills throughout the Season.

- Joshua, with the big ‘boot’, looks to be shaping up to be a great Defender or Keeper, attacking the ball and pushing it up the field, scoring several of our Season’s goals!
- Chad played with speed and skill, demonstrating dedication and concentration, moving around the field with ease, scoring quite a few goals. He looks to be shaping up as a Mid-fielder/Forward.
- Justin, always with an infectious smile and zest, passed the ball, while showing just what it means to be a ‘team’ player.
- Holly, our little ballerina, danced around the field, involving herself with the ‘play’, attacking the ball and pushing it out to someone else on the team.
- Angus sometimes stands back, but none-the-less, the quiet achiever. His gentleness shows how to be an important part of just what it means to be a team!
- Anikka began as an ‘observer’, sussing out the game. Now, she is converting her newly developed skills, fearlessly attacking the ball, throwing herself into clashes with the opposition, for ball possession.

Thank you to Matt, who coached the team with youthful exuberance, winning him adoration from the children and parents alike!!

As Manager, it is with pleasure that I write this report. Thank you to the parents for their support of Matt, myself and most of all, the children!

2009 Greens: Luke Cambourn, Justin Krajj, Anikka Millar, Chad Parsons, Holly Peiris, Angus Stevens and Joshua Taylor.

Coach: Matt Richards

Manager: Wendy Millar

## **U7 Pythons – (non competitive)**

Well done to all the kids as they played their hearts out each weekend.

2009 Pythons: Jack Graham, Reilly Hess, Bernie Miall, Jordan Pagitz, Hayden Roberts, Alexander Roorda, Jack Rowe and Jack Sparkes.

Coach: Nick Miall

Manager: Chris Roorda

## **U7 Taipans – (non competitive)**

Second season in for this Soccer dad the call comes, hey dad can you be my coach this year? Well I didn’t know then what either myself (Coach) or Glenn (Manager) were in for. Frustrating as coaching can be at times we both really enjoyed the season watching these seven kids called “The TAIPANS” develop into a team. We started the year with an equal mix of new players and those returning for another season. We have seen the boys really develop through the year. The Taipans really enjoyed their season, helped by their results (although non competitive, these kids can count). They are all keen to return next year for the U8’s.

Llewellyn was good at the start of the year and has developed into a better player, passing and skills have improved greatly. Llewellyn really enjoys his game time, always eager to get back out there, not afraid to go in and tackle for the ball.

Gabriel, what great ball skills this Taipan has. To watch Gabriel play and weave his way through the defenders up the field and then to pass to a team mate to score. This was repeated week after week by Gabriel, he also scored his fair share of goals and really is a great team player with excellent individual skills. Future Socceroo here.

Sean is so eager to play and enjoys the game. The goal in the last game of the season was magic. Sean pumped his arms up and down saying yes, yes yes. Brought a tear to his Coach's eye. Well done.

Hudson is confident in his skills, this young man scored his fair share of goals throughout the year and is developing well.

Kane "the goal scoring machine" chases the ball like it is a stray \$100 note in the wind. Big kicks, breaks up the centre and goals for this Taipan.

Dane told me mid way through the year he wants to be the best soccer player in the world, he's been training hard since and started scoring those goals, good passing and team playing.

Connor, scored some cracker goals and the confidence from this showed improvements each match.

Glenn and I went from scratching our heads to thinking "wow" that was good during the year as the boys really started to play like a team and look for other players / openings to pass the ball through. All the boys scored goals and had positive year in the U7's. Well done TAI PANS and see you in 2010 Under 8's.

2009 Taipans: Gabriel Esquivel, Sean Ferguson, Connor Hume, Kane Jackson, Llewellyn Lloyd, Hudson McNamara and Dane Turner.

Coach: Darren Turner

Manager: Glenn Jackson

## **U7 Vipers – (non competitive)**

2009 was yet another fantastic year for the Vipers. Aidan Willis, Callan Denbrok, Tallis Cranney, Thomas Green and Manni Foeken were back with the welcome addition of two new players - Daniel Smith and Braeden Andreotti. This team really worked well together, and was great to see them increasing their skills and developing their team work. I'd like to thank the boys for coming to training on those cold Wednesday nights and putting in 110% every Saturday morning. To the parents, brothers, sisters, grandparents and anyone that came along to support the Vipers, thank you for making these boys feel really special.

2009 Vipers: Braeden Andreotti, Tallis Cranney, Callan Denbrok, Manni Foeken, Thomas Green, Daniel Smith and Aidan Willis.

Coach: Matthew Willis

Manager: Glenn Smith

## **U8 Barracudas – (non competitive)**

The end of the season has come too soon for the Barracudas. The boys are starting to play entertaining football. At the beginning of the season the team went through a rebuilding phase and welcomed several new players. They have worked very hard and developed some excellent team play. Liam Bishell has been an excellent performer on the right wing. His passes have been outstanding. Dylan Malcher runs wide on the left and has played many dangerous crosses to the middle. Jarrod Wilson has worked hard, learning to use both feet, and capped of a great season by shooting a goal with each foot! Tom Day sticks to his player in defence and has become more involved in attack. Erin O'Reilly is a versatile player who happily takes on any position for the team; even goalie. Tomas Ahern has developed into a fine Goal Keeper, showing good anticipation, whilst also demonstrating excellent ball skills out on the field. Andrew Davey is the stopper who holds our defence together. He shows great anticipation and a strong clearing boot. Jeffrey Gismondo has slotted straight in to the defence and never gives up, often beating the opposition to the ball. Scott Waddell is an all-round player who is equally confident in attack and defence. He gives the opposition no rest with his determination to get the ball. Thanks you to Brett Bishell for his

management of the team and to all the parents for supporting the team. They paid us back double by playing as a team. There is no superstar, just a super team!

2009 Barracudas: Tomas Ahern, Liam Bishell, Andrew Davey, Thomas Day, Jeffrey Gismondo, Dylan Malcher, Erin O'Reilly, Scott Waddell and Jarrod Wilson.

Coach: Glenn Wilson

Manager: Brett Bischell

## **U8 Dolphins – (non competitive)**

With four new players, the loss of two others and the original manager and coach, 2009 was always going to be a challenging year for the Dolphins. The enthusiasm and efforts of Tahlia and the boys on match days, however, cannot be questioned. *Ben Lambert* did a fantastic job in the generally unwanted role of goalkeeper, and *Lachlan Bullivant* was the rock at the heart of our defence. *Alec Burchell* and *Josiah Mills* ('Millsy') were terriers in the middle of the park, often worrying much larger opponents. They were joined by *Daniel Isaac*, our 'everywhere man', fearless in the tackle and with a great engine. *Ben Leaf* ('Leafy') often defused dangerous raids by our opponents and improved steadily throughout the year. Our only 'leftie' was super-striker *Zac Whitmore* who coolly finished off the great lead-up play of his team-mates on a number of occasions. Last but by no means least, *Tahlia Curley*, always keen to practice new things at training and a model of consistency on Saturday mornings.

Thanks to all the parents, my predecessors *Viv de Boer* (Manager) and *Terry Frost* (Coach), and the two players who left us through the year, *Cameron Young* and *Natalie Frost* (both were sadly missed). Finally, a big thank you to *Josh Lambert* who assisted in coaching filled in when I was unavailable and provided great support as often as his own playing commitments allowed.

2009 Dolphins: Lachlan Bullivant, Alec Burchell, Tahlia Curley, Natalie Frost, Benjamin Lambert, Ben Leaf, Josiah Mills, Zac Whitmore and Cameron Young.

Coach: Ian Lambert

Manager: Ian Lambert

## **U8 Marlins – (non competitive)**

Our 4th year as a team and what an exciting season it was for the Marlins. Together the boys have gone from strength to strength, welcoming two new team members Lachlan Morris & Sam Cornell who immediately became an integral part of the team. Training with our coach Mark certainly paid off as the boys have entertained us each week with their impressive football skills. While their skills improved the boys did not forget the number one rule...to have fun, and are already talking about next year.

It has been a year where we've seen some marked improvements. Notables have been Jai Monahan and David Strudwick who really developed their defensive games this season and also worth a special mention is Josh Power, who as his name states developed a powerful "boot" this season which always proved handy on our defensive line. In attack we were probably the strongest team going around with goals being regularly shared by many rather than just a select few. Hat Tricks were achieved this season by Ricky Martinello, Zack Vassallo and Connor Hurley. These boys were particularly great to watch as they started to really position themselves well around the field and get into attacking positions to score quality goals. Our team's ability to get the ball into scoring positions made the Marlins a strong opposition. Our boys in mid field were simply awesome. Arin Monahan and Sam Cornell seemed to always be able to feed the ball into the scoring square and Lachlan Morris, who played right wing set up some of this year's best goals as well as scoring quite a few himself. Congratulations boys!

A great big thank you to all our parents for their enormous support of our Mighty Marlins by cheering them on every Saturday and to Ian and Greg for helping out our coach at training. A special thank you to our coach Mark, you inspired the boys every week to strive to do their very best and your dedication to the Marlins is greatly appreciated. See you all in 2010 for another fantastic season.

2009 Marlins: Samuel Cornell, Connor Hurley, Ricky Martinello, Arin Monahan, Jai Monahan, Lachlan Morris, Joshua Power, David Strudwick and Zack Vassallo.

Coach: Mark Vassallo

Manager: Kelly Power

## U8 Otters – (non competitive)

What a great season! When the Otters were formed at the beginning of the season, it brought together a group of players, some of which who had played last year and others who were going to experience football for the first time. One thing that was clearly evident from the moment the Otters began to train and play was their level of enthusiasm which was maintained during the entire season.

Apart from progressing with basic ball skills, the emphasis this year was teaching the players the value of passing to each other and working together as a team. As the season unfolded, the parents and I were witness to some fantastic games in which the players displayed great teamwork.

The players brought various skills and ability to the team, the combination of which made for very exciting football. Zac Reichel had the ability to run the full length of the field in about five strides to sweep up the loose balls in defence and had a left foot kick to match it. Tara Clancy offered great support at the back with her individual grace and style, with ample ability to clear the ball away from the danger zone. Lochie Conway in his first season was tenacious around the ball and never afraid to tackle the opposition. Patrick Brischetto had the ability to pop-up at the right time on the field to receive the ball in attack and was rewarded with a few goals during the season. Oliver Clancy was everywhere, particularly in attack, using his footwork to get past the opposition to score many a goal. Lachlan Leehy had his first full season playing football and his skills progressed well including a hidden ability to kick the ball afar. Jack Hawkins had his first season playing football although nobody would have guessed owing to his ball skills and ability to pass. Luca Segedin used his ball skills to develop a great running game and with his strong kick he was lethal in attack. Ben Filla had great balance when running with the ball; it was like it was attached to his boots, using his skill to defy the opposition.

Thanks to all the players for a great season. Thank you parents for your support and devotion, in particular Louise Conway who did a great job as manager.

2009 Otters: Domonic Brischetto, Oliver Clancy, Tara Clancy, Lachlan Conway, Benjamin Filla, Jack Hawkins, Lachlan Leehy, Zac Reichel and Luca Segedin.

Coach: Sean Leehy

Manager: Louise Conway

## U8 Penguins – (non competitive)

Advance Penguins Fair (tune of our national anthem)

Penguins all let us rejoice  
For we are young and free  
With Summerhayes golden soil  
Our home is Win-mal-lee  
Our team abounds in football skill  
Of talents rich and rare  
On Saturdays, on our small stage  
Our game would raise your hair  
Now let our boys and girl proudly sing  
"We're waiting for next year."

Yet another great year for the Penguins. The team has worked hard to further develop their skills and understanding of game play by consistently attending training and giving their best during the games. Most importantly they had fun, continued to show great team spirit and sportsmanship throughout the season. Well done team!

2009 Penguins: Samuel Fuller, Alex Gutteridge, Andreas Higginbotham, Henry Hutchinson, Samantha Langenberg, Logan Pound, James Roberts, Benjamin Ruigendyk and Jesse Williams.

Coach: Jon Pound

Manager: George Roberts



## **U8 Sea Lions – (non competitive)**

Sea lions are a gregarious lot, illustrated by the eclectic but tight nit group of Sea lions and Sea lioness's forming the 2009 team, with novice and one and two year veterans delivering an interesting and enthusiastic season. Like our namesake, the Sea lions were aggressive in attack; often considered and strategic, other times explosive. In defence; territorial and resilient, never giving ground willingly.

Jarrold Hackney held the territorial defence together, as well as providing unpredictable and often lethal bursts of attack, a golden season. Jade Hume, always strong in defence and never beaten. A Mark Swarzer, in the making, Riley Sophokleous allowed only the best shots past him. Jack Poulter, the backline brains, with every pass, dodge and kick thoughtful and deliberate. Rounding out the defence, Annalise Della Libera saved her best till last with an acrobatic display of goal keeping, proving expensive to the coach.

In the midfield, Lucy Cunningham had a great season, the only Sea lioness to put one between the posts. A determined Annabel French provided invaluable and controlled support play for Noah Tracey and Zac Farley who offered a string of goals hit so well that we are still searching for the balls. Lastly, super sub Ben Tracey, an amazing talent and honorary Sea lion.

A big thank you to the 'adult Sea lions' who 'swam' with us every Tuesday and Saturday. An extra special thanks to Super Manager Liz French who made the season easy; providing drinks, treats and never ending band aid supplies.

From the coach, thank you for letting me learn with you and I hope to see you for a bigger 2010.

Even though the Sea lions infrequently dined at the winners table, the smiles and laughter from the team from March to August made the Sea lions a winning team in any language.

2009 Sea Lions: Lucinda Cunningham, Annalise Della Libera, Zachary Farley, Annabel French, Jarrod Hackney, Jade Hume, Jack Poulter, Riley Sophokleous and Noah Tracey.

Coach: Paul Della Liberia

Manager: Elizabeth French

## **U8 Seals – (non competitive)**

It has been an exciting year with all of our players improving, with each player now possessing the ability to beat a player. This year 6 of our 8 players recorded hatricks, in previous years the goal scoring was dominated by just a few. This is a true indication of our team's progression & coupled with enjoying each other's company, has made for a tremendous season.

We have seen a remarkable improvement in Michael Beavers' technique, when striking the ball. Michael's enthusiasm on game day & at training is a big contributor to his development & this earned him the weekly award on 4 occasions.

- Andrew Malouf's efforts were on display every game, with his never give up attitude. Andrew worked hard in both attack & defence like a little terrier. Andrew also developed his goalkeeping skills, in both positioning & spreading his body.
- Grady De La Harpe shows great confidence on the ball & is able to change direction at pace which is extremely hard to defend against. Grady played half a game as striker & the other half as defender, which developed many areas of his game. It was a big task for opposition teams to get past Grady's tackling ability.
- Max Palise's progressed at a dramatic pace & he begun to run at players & take them on & dispossessed even the most talented opponent. At the beginning of the season Max found goals hard to come by, midway through the season Max was scoring goals at will.
- Max Peters has developed the ability to find space & lose a player with a darting run & finished in clinical fashion. Max's ability to find space will see him reap the awards in years to come. Max is a true team player with his unselfish play & the way he assists a team mate in defence.
- Blake tester Bailey has the ability to play so many different positions. Blake is solid in defence & frustrated many opposition teams with his excellent tackling technique. Blake looked forward to the second half when he got the opportunity to beat a player & finish with an accurately placed shot.

- Declan Cotter possesses a unique ability to read the game & cut out oppositions raids, turning defence into attack which is a ability that cannot be coached. Declan covers a lot of ground in defence & attack controlling the midfield, in a fashion well above his years. Declan also has a strong & accurate shot.
- Lachlan Lelliott possess great ball skills, the ability to change the direction of the ball & a tremendous technique in taking throw ins. Lachlan's greatest attribute is his ability to take a player on down the line & then switch play across to the other side of the field. Lachlan is exciting with the ball at his feet & fantastic to watch.

It was a pleasure coaching a group of players that listened & wanted to learn, which made my job both easy & enjoyable. Thanks to our manager Louise who made our season run smoothly & I look forward to doing it all together again, in 2010.

2009 Seals: Michael Beevers, Declan Cotter, Grady Delaharpe, Lachlan Lelliott, Andrew Malouf, Max Palise, Max Peters and Blake Tester-Bailey.

Coach: Mark Cotter

Manager: Louise De La Harpe

## **U8 Sharks – (non competitive)**

The Sharks showed they still have bite this year, being the team to beat. They keep the parents entertained with their great passing and goal scoring. They are a great bunch of kids, always backing up their mates and giving 110%. It is a pleasure to coach the sharks and can't wait until next year.

- Aengus Sherriff - Slotted into the goalie position like he had been playing it all year, saving some great goals.
- Ben Lewsley - New to the sharks this year, but you wouldn't know it. Strong attacker. Good at scoring goals.
- Brendan Hill - Stamped his authority as a back. Always determined not to let anyone pass him.
- Caleb Grima – Was our all rounder this year. Fitted into any position that was asked of him.
- Corey Hutchings – Great defender. Can also run it up the guts with fancy footwork.
- Ewan Rogers – Has come along in leaps and bounds as a striker. His big boot was perfect for crossing and scoring.
- Georgia Yalden – Don't let her good looks fool you. This girl is tougher than anybody. Always gives 110%.
- Jack Hutchings - Showed his force this year in controlling the game. Is great at passing, running and finishing off.

2009 Sharks: Caleb Grima, Brendan Hill, Corey Hutchings, Jack Hutchings, Benjamin Lewsley, Ewan Rogers, Aengus Sherriff and Georgia Yalden.

Coach: Mark Grima

Manager: Ian Hill

## **U8 Whales – (non competitive)**

Another good season from the Whales this year. The Whales had 4 players in their first year of soccer who all combined with the 5 returning old timers to form a wonderful playing unit. Everyone always gave their all and enjoyed every minute of both training and game day. It was particularly pleasing to see their skills improve over the season and with their enthusiasm, really start to gel as a team. Connor and Erin were outstanding in goal throughout the season. Chiara, Isabel and Georgie were impressive all across the field. Newcomers Gen, Sabina, Eve and Kaeisha were quick to pick up the skills and each turned in fantastic performances - well done girls. Hope to see you all back playing again next year.

Special thanks to all parents for not only attending, but participating in training every week. Also to our manager Lisa, for organising everything and match reports. Thank you.

2009 Whales: Genevieve Blandin De Chalain, Connor Bradford, Kiaesha Durie-Fox, Isabel Dyer, Eve Fowler, Georgie Gregory, Erin Kilner, Chiara Major and Sabina Salas.

Coach: Adam Major

Manager: Lisa Maree Major

## U9/5 Cougars – (non competitive)

All good things must come to an end, Cockatoos have been together for (4) Years and watching them grow and develop into exciting young footballers has been a pleasure to be part of.

This year we had some new faces to the team Neddy Davies, Dylan Malouf and Ashley Corne, all boys immediately adjusted to our style of play and proved to be very valuable assets to the new formed Cockatoos who would prove to be one of the Strongest U/9 teams within the Blue Mountains.

Some great matches this year and none better than the duals with stable mates the BowerBirds

- Ben Arndell ( Goal Keeper ) - 1st year as Goalie and did a exceptional job and was really "Mr Safety" at the back with only a handful of goals let in all season

### Backline:-

- Adam Cameron - Again was solid at the back and always there to rely on as a backup Goalie, Always created pressure to the opposition Strikers.
- Tom Micallef - What cant this boy do, very strong and a lethal boot to match, also scored some cracker goals, one to watch in future years.
- Mitch Hawes - 110 % every game and really was the backbone of the Cockatoos Backline, his clearing runs from the back was inspiring to watch and a headache for the opposition.
- Ashley Corne - 1st year with the Cockatoos and really did slot in well, showed great skills in defence and attack and scored some fantastic goals in the season.

### Midfielders:-

- Jordan Shearer - Always doing the hard yards and never too far from the action,
- Mischa Damarguc - highly underrated and highly dangerous in open play, defended well all year and frustrated many opposition attack plans.
- Tom Burden - great little support player, who would constantly pivot play for the Forwards & Strikers which would lead to many team goals.

### Forwards

- Josh Jacka - versatile player who supported the team well, always there to rely on in any position, with his patience score many good goals.
- Neddy Davies - Another 1st timer with the Cockatoos and really stepped up and showed great vision and silky ball skills to match, scored some terrific goals on both feet this season!

### Strikers

- Dylan Zaccazan - over 25 goals for the season, great passion and skills to match, linked well with his forwards to prove a lethal combination, created havoc on most backlines.
- Dylan Malouf - over 25 goals also for the season , superb ball skills and was a constant nightmare to all Goal Keepers who were in his path , 1st year as a Cockatoo and merged in well.

Big thanks to Co-Coach George Shearer and the Cockatoos Bunch (you all know who you are), thanks to both Adams, Tim and of course Team Referee Scott Jacka for all your efforts past 4 years.

2009 U9/5 Cougars: Benjamin Arndell, Thomas Burden, Adam Cameron, Ashley Corne, Mischa Damarguc, Edward Davies, Mitch Hawes, Joshua Jacka, Dylan Malouf, Thomas Micallef, Jordan Shearer and Dylan Zaccazan.

Coach: Chris Zaccazan

Manager: Bronwyn Hawes

## **U9/5 Foxes – (non competitive)**

In what will almost certainly go down in history as their final season, the Bowerbirds showed, once again, the spirit of champions. Coach John Patterson has once more gone beyond the call of duty to mould individuals of many talents into a focussed and successful team.

- Birdy already possessed a great deal of talent but his progress this year has been stellar, with an unstoppable combination of dogged defence and powerful shooting.
- Josh slipped straight in to the team. He is a great tackler and knows just what to do with the ball when he gets it, a fantastic all round season.
- “Mada” lit up the field with his ability to dribble at speed. Whether getting to the goal line or heading straight for goal Adam got the ball right where the opposition didn’t want it.
- Brodie is a ferocious tackler, fearlessly wresting the ball from opposing forwards. She has shown tremendous dedication across the park and scored vital goals.
- Hugo stayed focussed and made a great contribution. Massive clearances and vital interceptions were the mainstay of his game and he came so close to scoring on many occasions.
- Lily’s composure on the ball and unselfish demeanour led to countless goals for the team. Passing and vision were her strengths.
- Matt K was a midfield dynamo, long range goals and driving runs made life hard for the other team.
- Sam P showed a rare combination of skill and determination, whether sweeping or striking, scoring or saving goals, Sam was everywhere.
- Sam H showed a real awareness of the play, always taking good positions, always looking for a telling pass.
- Cameron defended with strength and kept goal with patience. Running forward Cameron was hard to stop and made a great impact.
- Lachie showed pace, ball control and passion. His hunger for goals was tempered with an eye for the killer pass.

2009 U9/5 Foxes: Matthew Bird, Cameron Denham, Lachlan Flutey, Adam Hancock, Brodie Hancock, Samuel Heritage, Matthew Kraljevic, Samuel Patterson, Hugo Scott, Lily Stubbs and Joshua Stufkens.

Coach: John Patterson

Manager: David Roach

## **U9/6 Bears – (non competitive)**

The 2009 season started with some fresh faces in the team as well as a new name. After 4 years the “Kites” were now known as the “Bears”. With Craig Harrison sharing the coaching duties, the team was introduced to a new set of drills and training exercises.

Right from the first game the team stamped their authority on Season 2009. As the season went on player positions became more evident and the team really took shape.

New recruit Dylan Walton led the charge with the goal scoring and played well all year. Euan Thum-Davidson was also new to the team provided good speed and strong footwork. Playing either up front or in the back was Brodie Holden, also a new recruit; he put in 100% every game with his strong kicking.

Marcus Harrison was strong in the centre all year and scored some impressive goals. Ben Allan was solid all year playing in the back and knocked in some goals when he played up front. Liam Clifford showed

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great versatility all year and cover all positions well. Thomas Lynch was reliable as ever and gave 100% every game no matter what position he was in. Liam Carvasiglia played a strong game in the midfield and scored some great goals with his strong right foot. Bailey Ellis played a solid game all year and gave 100% in both attack and solid defence. Nicholas Pasilow, who was new to the team this year, played a solid game as a back and a good running game in the midfield. Lauren Edwards mixed it with the boys all year and showed good skill playing a year above her age group.

Thank to Manager Marx Carvasiglia, to Coach Craig Harrison and to all the parents for a spectacular 2009!

2009 U9/6 Bears: Ben Allan, Liam Carvasiglia, Liam Clifford, Lauren Edwards, Bailey Ellis, Marcus Harrison, Brodie Holden, Thomas Lynch, Nicholas Pasilow, Euan Thum-Davidson and Dylan Walton.

Coach: Graeme Ellis

Manager: Marx Carvasiglia

### **U9/6 Emus – (non competitive)**

What a great season the Emus have had! We started the year with a fresh team and a lot of new faces and ended the year with a team that jelled and played together exceptionally well. Our forwards Liam Dawe and Cameron Lever were always persistent and strong and kept the pressure on. Declan Cotter, Bradley King, Cameron Bartley and Erin Johnson our midfielders were consistent, using great foot skills and always on fire. Our Fullbacks Ryan Anderson, Mikayla Johnson and Pheobe Kerr did a fantastic job in defence especially with Mikayla and Ryan's strong long-range kicks. Liam and Ewan shared the role of Goal Keeper and did a great job stopping many potential goals with their magic hands. Thank you to Lewis Chesworth who volunteered to be our Coach – you did a fantastic job! And to Jim Dawe who coached our Saturday games. Also a thank you to Dylan Malouf from the Cockatoos for helping out with many games. And last of all a big thank you to the parents for making this season very enjoyable.

2009 U9/6 Emus: Ryan Anderson, Cameron Bartley, Declan Cotter, Liam Dawe, Ewan Huthnance, Erin Johnson, Phoebe Kerr, Bradley King, Cameron Lever and Mikayla Robertson.

Coach: Lewis Chesworth

Manager: Linda Anderson

### **U9/6 Hawks – (non competitive)**

Congratulations to all the Hawks and everyone involved with the team for making 2009 a great year!

Over the year the team grew in skills and confidence, with many players starting to show talent that could take them much further in the game in the years ahead. Hopefully many of our players will continue to develop their skills and go on to enjoy their football for many years to come.

The 'esprit de corps' of the Hawks was fantastic in 2009, and arguably the greatest asset of the team. Win or lose they looked forward to every game and every training session. It was great to see the kids loving the game and learning about team spirit – this is what the Hawks are about. The team spirit both on and off the field was tremendous. The families bonded well too, with Saturday mornings a great time to catch up and enjoy the game.

Congratulations and thanks to our coach Pat who worked very hard all year to make each game a fun and enjoyable experience for the kids, while also passing on valuable skills and ideas that will help the players navigate the grading to come next year. I'm sure every family appreciates the time and effort Pat put in. Thanks also to all the other parents who helped out with BBQ duty etc throughout the year. These are often thankless jobs but without them things don't happen.

Finally, on behalf of the players and parents, a sincere note of appreciation for those on the respective club committees who give up their free and family time to administer and run the club for our benefit. Thank you from the U9 Hawks! We look forward to seeing you all again in 2010!

2009 U9/6 Hawks: Mikhayla Atkins, Mason Haynes, Timothy Hurley, Meg Jefferson, Mackenzie Marsland, Lachlan McDougall, Katie Moore, Ryan Nightingale, Alexander Schesser, Marc Anthony Simone and Joshua Waters.

Coach: Patrick Hurley

Manager: Tony Schesser





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## **U9/7 Alligators – (non competitive)**

Well done boys! Everyone tried their best and your skills have all improved.

- Matt Mendham: You made left wing your home this season. You made some lovely attacking runs and defended well too.
- Jarrah Tuckerman: You made centre forward your own this season. You put in your best efforts each week and had a really great year.
- Toby Frost: You made centre midfield your home this year. You attacked, defended and moved the ball well.
- Callum McKay: You worked really hard each game. You played really well in both attack and defence.
- Rhys McLaughlin: You played your natural defending game. Your defence was solid and you made great clearing kicks.
- Jeremy Hume: Despite your small size, you always put your body on the line. You were always keen to play each week and played well.
- Sean Bartlett: You were always keen to play and tried your hardest each week. You also scored some great goals.
- Zac Moxham: You were a good attacking player. You made some good breaks and scored some great goals.
- Lucien Robba: You've had big improvements over the season with your kicking skills. You defended well all season, upsetting the opposition attack.
- Oscar Wheatley: Your 1<sup>st</sup> year in soccer showed your great composure. You took your time with the ball, showed good skills and scored great goals.
- Isaac Breia: You made some great saves as goalie, at times putting your body on the line. You also attacked well at right wing.

Thanks to everyone for a great season. Training was a lot of fun each week and I would like to thank all the parents who came along and played too.

I'm looking forward to next season.

2009 U9/7 Alligators: Sean Bartlett, Isaac Breia, Toby Frost, Jeremy Hume, Callum McKay, Rhys McLaughlin, Matthew Mendham, Zachary Moxham, Lucien Robba, Jarrah Tuckerman and Oscar Wheatley.

Coach: Adam Frost

Manager: Melinda Morris

## **U9/7 Dingos – (non competitive)**

They say football is best played on the ground, it is also called the beautiful game (not sure which member of the team justifies this description). With incredible insight the name change matched the style ambition from sky bound to earth dwellers (Magpies to Dingos!)

This year saw players develop their ability to play the game beautifully, with application and discipline the team developed a good structure and regularly showed what a quality passing game looks like.

The win loss ratio was in our favour, win (most), loose (a few) or draw (once) the close games were always the most enjoyable as players rose to the occasion. More importantly the character of the boys was evident in their good sportsmanship and support of team mates. Certain dubious character traits were revealed when bribery was needed by the coach to get compliance with instruction! Where would the world be without the chocolate bar?!

A nucleus of five players has existed since 2005 when they started playing. Like any squad we have lost and acquired players along the way, unfortunately for parents no exorbitant sums of money changed hands. Maybe one day.



Thanks all for your individual contribution, Daniel (I hate them ever scoring) Bradshaw, Michael (I've got my Dad's football elegance) Davies, Zander (the terrier) Eijkman, Leon (the lion hearted) Lynch, Max (the quiet assassin) Ong, Ben (the solid leftie) Pout, Adam (strong in the challenge) Roth, Cian (I'm going for goal) Rowntree, Louis (the brave keeper) Te Bay, and Oliver (Mr Versatility) Vallieres.

All players can be proud of giving their best and as the team get disbanded through the grading process I am sure all parents will watch these boys with a particular and fond interest as they continue to develop.

Thanks to all for the effort, fun, excitement and entertainment of a good season.

2009 U9/7 Dingos: Daniel Bradshaw, Michael Davey, Alexander Eijkman, Leon Lynch, Max Ong, Benjamin Pout, Adam Roth, Cian Rowntree, Louis Tebay and Oliver Vallieres.

Coach: Clive Bradshaw

Manager: David TeBay

## **U9/7 Giraffes – (non competitive)**

The Under 9 Giraffes really enjoyed their season. For most of the team it was their first season and they made some tremendous progress. It has been a great pleasure to be their coach and I am extremely proud of all the kids in the team. Overall we had a great time together. The Giraffes played the game in a great spirit, were well mannered and enjoyed their year.

I would like to thank all the parents for their support of their children and the support that they gave them, myself and Mark Armstrong our manager during the year.

Following is an outline of the boy's season:

- Christopher Armstrong:- Chris put in a very solid year. At the back he made many well-timed interceptions. He continued to improve all season, his passing game is developing. Well done Chris.
- Jesse Rheinberger: Jesse had a great year. Jesse is a solid team player, scored some good goals, our top scorer. Also had some good times in goal. Well done Jesse.
- Tahlia Vujevic: - Tahlia was one of our most consistent players all season. Tahlia is gifted as a footballer and has a good football brain, good passer of the ball. Great season Tahlia.
- William Vidler : - William really enjoyed his season and grew in confidence every week. William was a pleasure to coach and improved throughout the year. He was there every week trying. Well done William.
- Matthew Walker: - Matthew had a good season. Matthew tried his hand at goalkeeping this year and really liked it. Matthew was also a handful for the opposition on the field. Well done Matthew.
- Jacob Grayson: - Jacob continues to have a go every week. Enthusiastic player and trainer. Jacob was a very busy and willing worker. Well done Jacob.
- Rhodry Thomson: - Rhodry again did himself proud every time he took the field. Rhodry is always getting up and trying his best. Rhodry added surging runs from the back to his forte this year. Great season Rhodry.
- William Brazier: - "Bill" also had a fantastic season. Bill put in every week for the Giraffes. A consistent performer who shows an emerging awareness of linking well with team mates. A pleasure to coach and works hard and well for his team. Well done "Bill".
- Connor Fogerty:- We missed Connor once he moved to Melbourne. While we had him, we got the most out of him on most occasions. Connor liked to link with his team mates with good passes. Well done Connor.
- Nicholas Gelle;- We lost Nicholas early on in the season and certainly missed him. Nicholas tried his heart out and was the most consistent player till he had to leave us

2009 U9/7 Giraffes: Christopher Armstrong, William Brazier, Connor Fogerty, Nicholas Gelle, Jacob Grayson, Jesse Rheinberger, Rhodry Thomson, William Vidler, Tahlia Vujevic and Matthew Walker.

Coach: Keith Walker

Manager: Mark Armstrong

## SATURDAY FOOTBALL TEAM REPORTS

### U10/1 – 6<sup>th</sup>

The boys came together this season as an unknown quantity and took a while to find their feet. Finding the right mix was slow in coming but when it came together they played well and made for a very tough outfit to play. The boys showed great commitment to game days and training, and when on form produced some outstanding football. They were tested constantly in a very even competition. They were capable of competing against any team on their day, and finished the year on a high note with an impressive 2-0 win against Emu Plains.

A huge thank you goes out to manager, Ciaran O'Flanagan. His tireless efforts to organize game days and team sheets were very much appreciated. Also thanks go to dads and mums alike for their help on training nights, especially Kerry, Shannon, Dario, Jonny & Ciaran. And to all the parents whose support and encouragement was evident every week, thank you!

But most importantly to the boys, thank you. You did your best, improved, had fun and made new mates. That's what it's all about. It was a pleasure coaching you. To next year!

2009 U10/1: Lachlan Atkins, Callum Bagatella, Jeremy Barbuto, Paulo Bassa, Harrison Falchi, Hamish Lelliot, Simon Maher, Aiden Morgan, Ryan O'Flanagan, Carlos Ribeiro, Aiden Richards, Cooper Smith, Daniel Smith and Benjamin Sneesby.

Coach: Bryan Richards

Manager: Kieran O'Flanagan

### U10/3 – Runners Up

Congratulations team what an outstanding result this year. We achieved a convincing second place in the minor premiership with many thrilling games, plenty of goals and all the team playing like champions. This result showed that we had what it takes to go all the way to the Grand Final. The first two finals games this team played like this were to be their last matches ever, this resulted in a thrilling one all draw and a three nil victory against our toughest opponents to send us straight through to the big day. Every player in our team gave it their all and played superb soccer to provide an extremely entertaining couple of matches, both parents and coach immensely proud of the children's achievements this year.

Special heartfelt thanks to my awesome manager Matt Rogers for his tremendous organization of all things soccer which ensured every game day things went smoothly.

To Scott Holder for his laid back friendly advice, his burning passion for the game and his instrumental assistance to a novice coach.

Special mention to Ewan Rogers for filling in when the 'flu' left us short in numbers.

- Jake Ayers- A big kicker of the ball and a dominating player at home in the midfield or up front in attack.
- Hannah Condon- Our strong tackling, never gives up left winger, whose skills have developed throughout this year.
- Alex Haigh- A strong defender with a big right boot who is able to slot into the midfield when required.
- Kieren Holder- Our star goalkeeper who has bought applause from the crowd many times with his spectacular saves and kicks.
- Riley Kennedy- A strong running player with a big heart and commitment to any position he plays.
- Jack Kennedy-Salter- He has kept the ball flowing up to the forwards and is always ready to get back and help our defense.

- Riley Miller- An experienced player with rock solid defense and a great attitude, always willing to pull on the goalies jersey.
- Brendon Minney- Our dynamic midfielder/striker with speed for size unmatched, his effort in the game and at training is inspiring.
- Jarrad Pull- A reliable defender with a good boot often used to set the goals in motion, and disappoint the opposition attack.
- Hamish Rogers- Our highest goal scorer who is able to produce the goods consistently, this has ensured our grand final position.
- Mitchell Rowe- A strong midfielder who is not afraid to tackle and run the ball, he compliments our midfield line-up.
- Jake Schatzman- Our speedster right wing who has left the opposition in his wake many times, his passes resulting in many goals.
- Jack Simpson- A good midfielder with growing confidence and a quiet approach to getting stuck in and getting on with the job.
- Brendan Vitotzi- A tenacious player who frustrates the opposition and gives 100% every week at training and on game day.

2009 U10/3: Jake Ayers, Hannah Condon, Alexander Haigh, Kieren Holder, Riley Kennedy, Jack Kennedy-Salter, Ryley Millar, Brendon Minney, Jarrod Pull, Hamish Rogers, Mitchell Rowe, Jake Schatzman, Jack Simpson and Brendan Vittozzi.

Coach: Rob Pull

Manager: Matt Rogers

### **U10/4 – 6<sup>th</sup>**

This season brought together a combination of players; a core group of eight from the U9/4s from last year and the remaining seven from other various divisions. The first challenge was to acquaint all the players with each other and to determine which position was appropriate owing to their individual skills and abilities. The trial games at the beginning of the season enabled this assessment to be made and for the boys to get used to each other.

Apart from focusing on improving the player's ball skills, teaching them positional play on the field was paramount. As the season progressed, each player learnt the value of playing in position and the rewards which came with it. Although our season was a mixture of wins, losses and draws, the boys always played with a competitive nature and spirit.

Scott Sharp played most of the season as goalkeeper and performed the role with courage and determination. Domenic Torcasio, Javier Golovchenko, Ethan Baker, Aaron Hunt and Ryan Leehy played in defence. Domenic played a sweepers role and possessed the ability to turn defence into attack with some great runs; Javier used his height and his large clearing kicks to his advantage; Ethan's tackling was fearless and effective; and, Aaron and Ryan were able to maintain tight defence on the sides by their consistent improvement.

Matthew Zolfel and Lachlan Slatford maintained the centre midfield and were the lynch pins connecting our defence with our attack which they performed with great affect. Ryan Hackney and Zac Comfort played on the left and right respectively in attack and midfield, using their speed effectively to deliver the ball to our strikers and score goals. Ben Crouch and James Boidin were our main strikers and did not waste any opportunity to put the ball in the back of the net.

Braydon Wells, Oliver Freame and Luke Edwards were the team's utility players. Braydon played effectively as a striker and midfielder; Oliver was tenacious in midfield and defence; and, Luke was always reliable playing in defence and midfield.

The team had some memorable games and performances; always putting the opposition to task and demonstrating our formidability. What was important though was the manner in which the boys connected with each other and the improvements they made both individually and as a team. Thanks for the season boys.

2009 U10/4: Ethan Baker, James Boidin, Zachary Comfort, Benjamin Crouch, Luke Edwards, Oliver Freame, Javier-Elias Golovchenko, Ryan Hackney, Aaron Hunt, Ryan Leehy, Scott Sharp, Lachlan Slatford, Domenic Torcasio, Braydon Wells and Matthew Zolfel.

Coach: Sean Leehy

Manager: Sonya Leehy

## U10/6 – 7<sup>th</sup>

Despite a shaky start, the team really pulled together, and began to win a few games especially towards the end of the season. All regard has to go to them, for putting in so much effort and developing into such fine players. However, I would especially like to thank my manager, Leanne who really made life easier for me, doing a lot more work than she did, and for my co-coach Harry, for his assistance through the season. A big thanks to all the parents who gave me lifts or contributed to training, it all appreciated.

I would now take this time to individually thank each member of the team.

- Jack Woodlands- his goal scoring was key to almost every victory.
- Jackson- developed from being a good player to being one of the team's best.
- Jack Waddell- even his presence lifted the moral and calibre of the team.
- Juana- her speed and timing never failed to amaze.
- Tom- solid defence can make all the difference, and that's what Tom brought to the game.
- Aidan- His undefeatable spirit and optimism was always infectious.
- Amanda- she was always there to provide the support that builds great teamwork.
- Matthew – he was never afraid to take a shot and go for a run.
- Isaac- he really stepped up as keeper, and improved to be easily one of the best in the competition.
- Donovan- stood by his team the whole time and always played to his best.
- Nick- was a versatile player who had the ability to play defence or midfield superbly.
- Ty- despite not being able to play to the seasons end, his good nature always brought light to the game.
- Declan- his ability to listen made him even a more valuable player and striker
- Ben- It is always better late than never, and even if Ben didn't always make it dead on time, he was there and that's what matters.
- Jessy- with the ability to play any position, and play it well, that and Jessy's dedication to even show to training early made him a very important player.

In any case, the season ended up being fine, we mightn't have come first, but we didn't come last either, and the players in this team are really good people, who, if they really set their heart to it, could excel in almost any area of life. It was a pleasure to coach and know them all, and I wish them the best for the future.

2009 U10/6: Juana Esquivel, Jessy Fishlock, Aiden Flay, Donovan Gray, Matthew Isaac, Amanda Kay, Isaac Mills, Ty Mitchell, Jackson Saunders, Thomas Smith, Declan Travers, Jack Waddell, Ben Welter, Nicholas Wilson and Jack Woodlands.

Coach: Luke Strasiotto

Manager: Leanne Saunders

## U11/1 Black – Runners Up

Another year has come to an end. The boys started a little relaxed this year and after the first round with a few draws and two losses it was going to be hard to win the competition again this year. But to the boy's credit and fighting spirit they completed the second round without a loss, ending up finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> on the ladder and qualifying for the final of the Under 12 Nepean Cup Competition. It just goes to show what fighting spirit this team has.

Throughout the year the team played some exceptional football, their passing game is (in my opinion) one

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of the best in the competition. We were always able to switch play from left to right and defence into attack with minimal effort passing the ball through midfield, this was always difficult for other teams to defend.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Louise Hughes for being our Manager once again this year, writing the weekly match reports and week to week management duties.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank all the brothers, sisters, parents and grandparents for their support during the year.

2009 U11/1 Black: Dominic Brischetto, Zachary Davey, Samuel Fenech, Mark Hancock, Lewis Hughes, Zachary Maxwell, Conor Nakkam, Connor New, Harrison New, Jeremy Newton, Lachlan Rice, Daniel Warrick and James Whitehouse.

Coach: Clinton New

Manager: Louise Hughes

### **U11/1 White – 6<sup>th</sup>**

This season saw us determined to show that we were a team that deserved to be in Div 1 after just surviving last season.

We had 2 new players this season, Wilson England in goals & Mitchell Duncan in defence. With these 2 additions to our squad, we approached the season in great form, confident that we would prove our worth. Our confidence was well founded, as both Mitchell & Wilson figured strongly in every game they played & have been great influences.

The highlight of our season was undoubtedly the 2 games against the Blacks. In our 1<sup>st</sup> game we came back from 1-0 down to score a memorable 2-1 win. In the return fixture, played under lights, we were unlucky to go down 1-0 in a very tightly fought & entertaining game. There was no doubt that we had earned our stripes in this division after these 2 games

We were unlucky with injuries this season at key times. We lost Ethan to a broken arm & Mitchell to illness at the same time, while at the end of the season, we lost Douglas to a broken leg & Brendan Brown to a torn muscle. Any team would struggle to cope, losing players of that calibre, however as usual, the spirit in this team continues to amaze me & we never let our heads drop. This season we were pushing to finish in the top 4, but it was not to be. We finished strong however, qualifying unbeaten for the pennant final only to lose 1-0 to a very determined St Clair team & congratulations to them. The attitude and nature of these kids shone-through, when even after losing a final they were still laughing & encouraging each other.

Next season we will bounce back stronger, having learnt from our experiences. With Bradley moving on (soccer's loss will be rugby's gain) we will need to work hard to improve further, but I have no doubt that we will. It has, once again, been my pleasure to coach this team as they are a wonderful bunch who have so much more to give. Enjoy your break, you have all earned it!!

I must also thank the parents, who have helped make the season so enjoyable, especially Michael for your dedicated assistance, we could not have achieved what we did without you. Special mention must also go to Tony, Rene & Melissa for organising me. I didn't lose 1 set of keys this year thanks to you all!!

2009 U11/1 White: Alexander Beechey, Brendan Brown, William Cullen, Mitchell Duncan, Wilson England, Daniel Erich, Nathan Eskelinen, Angus Hosking, Sarah Parker, Bradley Pascolini, Douglas Rogers, James Sherriff, Ethan Slatford and Harrison Slatford.

Coach: Ray Sherriff

Manager: Tony Pascolini

### **U11/2 – 4<sup>th</sup>**

Despite surprisingly being promoted to Division 2 we performed very well this year, holding our own and making the top 4 finals.

Rowan has been a revelation as our goalkeeper. He is brave and confident while also being a skilful midfielder when not in goal. Bailey and Sam formed a really good central defensive partnership, with Sam's physical presence combining with Bailey's turn of speed to great effect. Luke, our most consistent player, went about his defensive duties as quietly and efficiently as usual and with Billy solid and busy as ever at right back we again had a good defensive record.

Our midfield made great advances over the season with Nick growing in confidence and influence with his move towards central midfield and Jake making a new role as a defensive midfielder his own when he wasn't playing as a striker. Louis was a dynamo in midfield, always giving 100% and scoring a few vital goals. Dan, who coped well with the jump up to division 2, and Lachlan, who became one of our most consistent performers in the second half of the season, shared duties on the left side of midfield.

Scott had a good start to the season, scoring 2 goals in the first game, before breaking his leg which ended his season. His loss made it vital that our more versatile players, Brodie and Jacob, stood up to be counted, which they did. Brodie has been equally valuable in midfield and in defence with his determination being a great asset and Jacob played in all positions from goalkeeper to striker.

I'd like to give special thanks to Tania for being our able manager this year. We have had a great season with a great bunch of players and parents

2009 U11/2: Bailey Attard, Louis Boyd, Nicholas Filla, Brodie Gilchrist, Daniel Howie, Luke Jones, Rowan Karlik, Billy Kemp, Scott McElroy, Jake Minney, Samuel Nangle, Jacob Patterson and Lachlan Thomas.

Coach: Peter Nangle

Manager: Tanya Filla

## **U11/4 – 5<sup>th</sup>**

The under 11/4's started the year a little slow and it took time to come together as a team with many players not having played together before. By the end of the season these boys had improved greatly individually and as a team and were now challenging the top teams and on most occasions were far the better side.

In the end these boys qualified for the Pennant Final only to be beaten in a penalty shoot out. This was a great game and we really didn't deserve to lose. The skill, determination and passing that this team showed in the final was a pleasure to watch as a coach and I'm sure all their parents were very proud.

### Goalkeeper

- Luke Ruttley - great keeping Luke and you never let anyone down when on the field

### Backs

- Ben Smith-Wade, Isaac Smith, Jayson Orton, Andrew Kendall - these boys were strong at the back and made life difficult for opposition teams to score.

### Midfield

- David Robertson, Zac Grima, Ben Ross, Tristan Challenger - held the middle of the park well and fed the forwards many great balls providing many scoring opportunities.

### Forwards

- Morgan Burchell, Ryan Parlato, Riley Frost, Ryan Berrier - scored our share of goals although we could have had many more with chances that just missed.

During the year we had our share of sickness, and I would like to thank all the players that filled in from other under 11 sides.

To Frosty our manager - myself and all the parents, thank you for the time you have given with paperwork, attending meetings, phone calls and e-mails.

To the parents, thank you for your support, helping with washing the team's shirts and all the time you gave bringing your boys to training and games every week.

2009 U11/4: Ryan Berrier, Morgan Burchell, Tristan Challenger, Riley Frost, Zac Grima, Andrew Kendall, Jayson Orton, Ryan Parlato, David Robertson, Benjamin Ross, Luke Ruttley, Isaac Smith and Benjamin Smith-Wade.

Coach: Colin Orton

Manager: Stewart Frost

## U11/6 – 5<sup>th</sup>

Congratulations boys on a fantastic season. We started the season very strong, lost our way a bit in the middle after many breaks due to rain, then finished the season on a high note. My thanks to our manager, Sylvia for all her hard work in making everything run so smoothly.

To all you fellas I hope that you have learnt as much as I have this season. I've enjoyed watching each one of you develop your individual and team skills. Each time we played I saw amazing things like:

- Gabe making fearless saves in goals
- Liam chasing down attackers and cleaning up all the loose balls at the back
- Ben making runs up the middle of the park and scoring long range goals
- Tom challenging and winning the ball
- Brandon running and working hard in attack and defence all game
- Nicholas using his support and making important passes
- Simon running down the wing and crossing the ball
- Michael harassing attackers and defending his territory
- Tazman bustling and winning the ball and getting it up the park
- Hayden with his eye for goal and tenacious attacking
- Niahm with his strong running of the ball to get past defenders
- Eamon dribbling and using his skill to get past defenders
- Daniel with the golden left foot and positive play

Parents, thank you for all your kind words of encouragement and a special thank you to Dave for helping me at training, taming the lively spirits of these young blokes.

2009 U11/6: Eamonn Briggs, Laim-Jai Crawford, Gabriel French, Tazman Gosson, Brandon Hackney, Simon Harrop, Nicholas Hubbard, Niahm Jarrett, Hayden Kilner, Daniel McAndrew, Tom Mackay, Michael Noss and Benjamin Ong.

Coach: Glyn Hubbard

Manager: Sylvia Ong

## U11/7 – 5<sup>th</sup>

Congratulations on winning the Pennant Final. What a fantastic effort and very heart stopping.

- Liam Conway - What an amazing change has come over you. So much faster over the ground and willing to go into tackle the opposition to get the ball.
- Liam Curley - You continue to play so well and get involved in the game with some great kicks that are more accurate and one day I hope you can get a goal.
- Melinda - Yet again you did an amazing job in defending our goals and making it hard for the opposition to get through. Thank you for always chasing the ball.
- Kristian - You are a fantastic player to have on a team. You are committed to chase and get the ball, pass it to someone or run through and try to score a goal (which you did often).
- Quinn - I appreciate the way that you continue to get involved in the attack. You work hard and chase the ball more and more.
- Daniel D - 'Drevesy' you have had another great year and done everything asked of you. Fantastic running, filling the gaps and supporting the team.
- Nicholas - Wonderful attacking play and worked hard to set up goals and score them. You have worked hard on developing your skills.
- Marcus - Great determination to get through the defence with the ball, to follow the ball right through to the goals in the hope of scoring (which you did regularly).
- Daniel H - What fantastic, rock solid defence that you give to the team. You run fast and protect the goals. You play well in any position you are put in.
- Anthony - You played so well this year, in goals, but even better out in the field. You stopped the ball getting past and many of your kicks put the ball back up the field.

- Jake - Great effort all year, whether in goals or on the field you worked hard and got involved in the game. I appreciated the way you came and said good bye after each game.
- Tristan - You put so much energy into playing and getting involved in the game. You were great in defending and making sure the opposition couldn't get through.
- Dean - Great work in defence and making sure the opposition had a hard time getting through. You were enthusiastic in your defence.

Thanks once again to Jo for her fantastic work as manager and looking after all the paperwork, you are wonderful.

2009 U11/7: Melinda Allan, Dean Camilleri, Kristian Claesson, Markus Claesson, Liam Conway, Liam Curley, Daniel Dreves, Quinn Forrester, Daniel Hamwood, Nicholas Johnston, Anthony Lyons, Jake Moore and Tristan Muralitharan.

Coach: Damon Dreves

Manager: Jo Anne Allan

## U12/1 – 3<sup>rd</sup>

Another solid season from all the players finishing a credible 3 on the ladder. This team was formed mainly from the U11/1s and 11/2s squads from last season and improved immensely as the season progressed. The players tried hard and played well as a team. After eventual premiers Glossodia defeated us 5 to 1 at the start of the season we matched it with them all over the park holding them to a nil all draw in the semis.

A special thanks to Ian McNicoll and Corey Voura for assisting me at training every week and of course Phil Hatton our dedicated Team Manager. Well done parents for supporting all the players and thank you players. I hope you enjoyed the season as much as I have.

2009 U12/1: Joel Atkins, Bradley Cameron, Harry Hatton, Matthew Lutherborrow, Jarrod McNicoll, Grant Melville, Daniel O'Connor, Caleb O'Reilly, Joseph Shanahan, Georgia Voura, Daniel Wheatley, Nathan Willson and James Winn.

Coach: Rob Voura

Manager: Phil Hatton

## U12/2 – Premiers

This year we saw a few new faces, but the spirit demonstrated by the core of the team was quickly adopted by everyone, and it was that team effort that led them to another Premiership. In each of the 4 years I have coached this team; it has been a real treat to see them develop as individuals and a cohesive team.

Our defence was solid and courageous all season with Players Player, Mitch "Mungo" Riley confirming goalie as his position with a "take no prisoners" attitude. Jake Scaramuzzi was as reliable as ever was rewarded with the Coaches Award for his consistency and determination - not just this year, but for each year I have coached him. Daniel "Sparksie" Sparkes and Alex Clarke made up the rest of our "brick wall" like defence, keeping the opposition forwards on the back foot and setting up many attacking opportunities with strong clearances. As Sweeper, Nicholas Skinner was always full of encouragement guiding our defence and used his speed to great effect to shut down the odd attack that broke through.

Mitch Hunt and Patrick Moloney were our main mid-fielders and worked tirelessly throughout the season to feed the forwards and help unsettle mid-field raids before they could gather momentum. Will Boidin, Lachlan Weber and Thomas "Bambi" Hearn shared the wing roles, constantly troubling the opposition and was unselfish in setting up attacking opportunities for our forwards. Special mention must go to Tom who would literally "run until he dropped" to deliver what was needed for the team.

With the most goals scored in the Division, we obviously had some great strike power up front. Our "Dynamic Duo" Corey Bevins and Mark-Isaiah Isichei scored 26 goals between them. They showed tremendous individual skills and quickly developed a real understanding of each other's play which kept the opposition guessing as to who would break their defensive line. Mark has real natural talent and it was great to see how he fitted into the team environment. I look forward to seeing him develop in the future.

Dan Manning was troubled by knee injuries throughout the season greatly limiting his opportunity to show the skills and determination I know he has. We all look forward to seeing him fully recovered and back to his best for 2010.

A special thanks to Mark Bevins for managing and assisting with training, to Oli Weber for helping "mend the broken bits", to Damo and Amanda Boidin for their erudite reporting on our games and again to Gabe Murphy for his assistance in training the boys. Lastly, thanks to all the parents for their support. Your assistance at training, getting the boys to the games and understanding of my coaching style was greatly appreciated.

These boys have been a real pleasure to coach. As a team, and individually, they should be very proud of their efforts and the example they set for others in team spirit and sportsmanship.

2009 U12/2: Corey Bevins, William Boidin, Alexander Clark, Thomas Hearn, Mitchell Hunt, Mark-Isaiah Isichei, Daniel Manning, Patrick Moloney, Mitchell Riley, Jake Scaramuzzi, Nicholas Skinner, Daniel Sparkes and Lachlan Weber.

Coach: Wayne Moloney

Manager: Mark Bevins

### **U12/4 – 3<sup>rd</sup>**

This team consisted of a blend from a few teams from last year, as well as a new coaching staff. However the team gelled very quickly and it wasn't long before they had some great performances.

The focus for this team was to play smart football and not rely totally on the physical aspects of the game. The coaching team emphasised the importance of ball control and maintaining possession. Team performance was never judged by a score-line, but how the boy's played together as a team and how they improved both individually and as a team week-to-week. This is not to say that this team did not have their share of very good wins. Finishing third was a very fine result. We also managed draws against each of the teams that finished above us on the table due to some passionate and determined play from all team members.

Versatility was also a key aspect for this team. Players were asked to play in many different positions during the season and often within a match. Everyone responded with a great performance, even when playing in an unfamiliar position. The boys should be congratulated for this fine demonstration of team work.

Not only did these boys demonstrate excellent skills on the field each week, but they did so in the right spirit. They were enthusiastic and respectful of the opposition, officials and their own team mates. It was a real pleasure coaching this team this year and opposition teams commented on how much they enjoyed playing against Springwood this year! This a great credit to the boys.

Getting this side on the field each week was very much a team effort. Ralph Potter very ably filled in the gaps for two shift working coaches. Manager Len Darroch worked tirelessly to keep things running smoothly. Many other parents helped out at various times both at training and on game day, not to mention the fabulous support they gave from the sideline.

2009 U12/4: Joshua Barbuto, Andrew Darroch, Sam Galloway, Samuel Galton, Michael McKenzie, Cooper Monkhouse, Lyle Nineham, Daniel Purvey, Timothy Rowe, Callum Stopford, Samuel Sturges, Nicholas Thompson and Daniel Van Der Have.

Coach: Steve Stopford

Manager: Len Darroch

### **U12/5 – 7<sup>th</sup>**

With a few new comers to football and a mixture of players from various teams in previous years, the 13 players of the U12/5's were off to a challenging start to the season. However it wasn't too long before teamwork kicked into play and the skills and talent of the team resulted in goals celebrated by all. Many matches were played this season with less than a full team, however this was when the boys really worked together to achieve impressive results.

The U12/5s kept spectators on the edge of their seats with some incredible counter attacks yet unfortunately wins slipped through the cracks with a few missing plays. Up front was Reid Berrier with his

fancy footwork and running game, and Cameron Hitchcock-Byrn demonstrated excellent throw and hard work. Nathan Orchard scored some classic goals throughout the season with flashes of brilliance and speed. In midfield Luke Harridge and Jacob Manners played an envious attacking game with solid change up ability. Tom Matthews and Todd De Weerdts displayed both speed and vision from the wing opening up play. Credit goes to Alex Rea for his versatility, speed and tireless effort. Pressure was on throughout the season for the rock solid backs who by the end of the season mastered the skill of maintaining a strong line of defense. James Curran developed his speed and tackling abilities, James Tandy had a clear vision and the ability to keep the ball away from the goals, Thomas Boys was a role model for all-round defense with his characteristic fearlessness, and Adam Temesvary continued to shock the opposition with spectacular long kicks. Daniel Bonora's talented skills as goal keeper prevented the opposition from taking control of the games. Adam, James Tandy and Cameron also assisted in goal keeping this season providing Daniel with the opportunity to get some runs on the field in defense.

Some impressive goals were scored throughout the year from Cameron, Reid, Tom Matthews, Todd, Alex, and of course Nathan's hat trick! While there were some unlucky breaks which prevented some wins, overall the boys had an enjoyable season.

All in all we had a great year packed with fun training sessions, evenly matched games, and developed great friendships. Thank you to all the parents for your assistance and supporting the team. Thanks also to Ben Curran for taking on the managers role, and Mark Tandy for assisting with coaching.

2009 U12/5: Reid Berrier, Daniel Bonora, Thomas Boys, James Curran, Todd De Weerdts, Luke Harridge, Cameron Hitchcock-Byrn, Jacob Manners, Tom Matthews, Nathan Orchard, Alexander Rea, James Tandy and Adam Temesvary.

Coach: Adam Byrn

Manager: Ben Curran

## **U13/2 – Premiers**

Congratulations to the champions of the league for an excellent season. These kids showed commitment, determination and spirit and were deserving of first place on the ladder. The squad was a mix of kids from different clubs and divisions but right from day one they played like they'd been together for years. They trained hard (usually), all got on like good mates (sometimes brothers) and were really supportive of each other and the result showed on the pitch (mostly.)

We finished the season with an outstanding defensive record thanks to Dylan (goalkeeper), Ben, Kieren, Chris, Josh, Sam and Aidan (defenders). The boys up front, Eden, Jace & Aodan (forwards) scored a swag of goals and were well fed by Pat & Luke (wingers). Big thanks to Kyle, Liam & Jordan (midfielders) who controlled the middle of the park and were asked to run a marathon every game ("drop and defend"...."push up"...."cover the hole"....)

Some memories of the season; Aidan's last minute free kick winner in howling winds at Gloria Park; taking a mixed set of away shirts to Wollemi...half the team wore skirts, half looked like muscle men; Eden running directly from the sideline as a sub straight into the box to score from a corner at St Clair; the wonderful teamwork that resulted in a goal less than twenty seconds in to the game against Hazelbrook; having about thirty shots on goal at Colo and not being able to score...and doing it again the next week against Wollemi (dark times they were); coming back from 0-2 down at Emu Plains was a real highlight and an awesome display; Aodan's bicycle kick goal at Jamison; a certain defender turning up for a semi final at Cougar Park without any boots; but overall just the way the kids pass, dribble, win the ball, tackle and shoot was enjoyable to watch.

Thanks kids, it's been another fun year. Thanks Parents...it's nice to have supporters behind the team that are always positive and don't criticise kids for their mistakes (not that they made many!)

2009 U13/2: Benjamin Antrum, Jace Cross, Kieren Denham, Samuel Gorman, Liam Gray, Joshua Lambert, Luke Lehman, Jordan Lever, Kyle Pierre-Samson, Christopher Rea, Patrick Rosato, Dylan Severs, Eden Stubbs, Aodan Wilkinson and Aidan Williams.

Coach: Nigel Stubbs

Manager: Steve Rea

## U13/4 – 5<sup>th</sup>

After being asked to look after 16 players in the U13/4 team for the season, I thought "how hard could it be?" I'd never have to look for replacement players and the pace of the games would be quite relaxed. The first game was certainly an eye opener though, as the standard of soccer from both teams was surprisingly high. As the season progressed so too did the level of competition and the standard of soccer.

While our team comprised of some very skilful players like Luke, Lyndon, Jordan and Nic, we also had some players, namely Tyler, Tristan and the two Liams, who put in a huge effort every game. Add some very good athletes like Cameron, Brendon and Jacob, plus our super goalie, Hadley and we were always going to be competitive. But it was the constant improvement and determination shown by Michael, Glenn, Joel and Daniel that really ensured the success of this team.

While a certain amount of complacency crept in against the lower ranked teams, the boys really put it all together against the leading sides and displayed some outstanding teamwork and performances while under considerable pressure. This positive attitude shown by all the players, I think, was made possible by the distinct lack of pressure or high expectation from the team's supporters who just sat back and enjoyed the entertaining brand of soccer this team is capable of.

I would like to thank the parents for the way they allowed me to coach their boys this season, and I'd particularly like to thank our Manager, Julio, and his assistants, Greg and Kirsty, for taking all the pressure off me on game day and taking care of all the other associated tasks that needed to be done. It has allowed me to concentrate on trying to make this season a satisfying and enjoyable one for the players and for everyone involved with this great team.

2009 U13/4: Liam Bradford, Nicholas Duncan, Hadley England, Michael Essex, Glen Holman, Jordan Hoy, Tyler Irvine, Luke Jones, Brendon Martirena, Lyndon Moss, Daniel Rixon, Cameron Rutland, Tristan Standen, Jacob Sturges, Joel Trevillion and Liam Wall.

Coach: Kevin Duncan

Manager: Julio Martirena

## U14/3 – 3<sup>rd</sup>

Congratulations to all the young men who have all improved in their football skills. This is what we set out to achieve for the year and would enable the boys to enjoy the game. It has been a wonderful year and most enjoyable not only for myself but for the parents who have witnessed their sons perform very well.

We had a new team, new faces and new coach getting together and stepping up a grade to 3<sup>rd</sup> division after successful trial game campaign. I was very confident that we could challenge and perform in the higher division.

We started back to basics at training and gradually increased the skill and fitness levels. Many of the boys played in new and various positions on the field, with all accepting and performing very well individually and as a team.

Without a designated keeper, everyone shared the role and had a turn to perform.

I set the challenge to the boys that we would improve the skills and general play for everyone and that we would challenge for the top 4 semi finals. We succeeded. The boys finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the competition. Everyone has improved and everyone has a better understanding of positional play and creating space.

The finals were very exciting with the team finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> (one, win, one loss and a draw) just missing out on the grand final. The boys continued their improvement and development, playing wonderful football right

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to the end. All opposition coaches and officials acknowledged how we were the better team in each of the games. As explained to the boys, the wonderful game can be so cruel at times!

Thank you to Mark Beckhause as manager, and thank you to all the boys in making the season very enjoyable. See you next year

2009 U14/3: Benjamin Adams, Ryan Barrett, Jack Beckhaus, John Carn, Ryan Carter, Nathan Frost, Luke Guest, Jordan Lievore, Lucas Magennis, Thomas Moore, Joshua Morris, Keegan Taccori, Matthew Walsh and Joshua Zolfel.

Coach: Craig Adams

Manager: Mark Beckhaus

## **U14/4 – 7<sup>th</sup>**

We started the season with about half of last year's team and several new players, some that had played some that hadn't. It took a couple of weeks for the boys to get to know each other and figure out how each other played. Our first few games showed lots of potential with good passing and combinations we were able to score in all our games. We lost all of the first round games, most of these games were closer than the score indicated, and many of them were lost in the second half after levelling or being in front at half time.

In the second round we started to score more goals from the many opportunities created by good midfield and forward combinations. Our fullbacks pulled together and started turning around attacks from the other teams. All of the team including our forwards had to share full back positions with many of our games played with less than a full team.

Towards the end of the season we frustrated many opponents with strong defence and quick goal attacks. We finished well with a place in the pennants final vs St Marys Convent. And are looking forward to seeing some of the magic starting to show in this great team that was a little slow to get started but seem nearly unstoppable at the end of the season.

Most valuable player: Geordie Fox

Most Consistent player: Maurie Milardi

Several players scored hat tricks: Matthew Baines, Geordie Fox, and Jeremy Tomas.

- Matthew Baines: a great attacking forward that also learned to play goal keeper, made many great saves and always put in 100%.
- Matthew Boxwell: Improved all season fearless in defending our goals and took on any opponent regardless of their size. Unlucky not to score in several games playing in the forwards.
- Josh Bennett: A versatile and skilled player that wanted to have a year out of goals he dazzled us several times with his playmaking and filling in as goalkeeper when needed.
- Jeremy Tomas: A good attacking forward with great ball skills and passing to create goal opportunities. Scored a hat trick.
- Joseph Lyons: First season of soccer and played goalkeeper for most of the season, his determination payed dividends with great saves week after week. A handy defender, when not in goals.
- Dylan Warner: A fast and exciting player to watch, made many breaks and created lots of goal opportunities.
- Maurie Milardi: A tireless attacking forward that was able to break through many teams at will. Always tried his hardest and scored in most games.
- Matthew Swatridge: A great all-rounder with natural talent and great determination, he saved many goals as a defender and scored regularly as a forward.
- Jackson van Deinsen: Learned to play as defender and turned around many goal attempts turning creating many goal opportunities with well placed passes for the forwards.
- Matthew Strasiotto: A fast and determined defender, who improved his game all season, a consistent player.

It's been great, thanks boys.

2009 U14/4: Matthew Baines, Joshua Bennett, Matthew Boxwell, Cameron Cliffe, Geordie Fox, Joseph Lyons, Maurice Milardi, Matthew Strasiotto, Matthew Swatridge, Jeremy Tomas, Jackson Van Deinson and Dylan Warner.

Coach: Maurice Milardi

Manager: Martin Van Deinsen

## U15/2 – Premiers

2009 Minor premiers and undefeated during the premiership. The finals were disappointing but the team performed terrific against Youth League 2-4. The year tally was 74 goals 22 against.

- James had 6 clean sheets, an outstanding achievement; the highlight was when James (goalkeeper) scored a penalty goal then saved a penalty.
- Joel D, right defender and a tower of strength; Joel's reverse over the head clearing kicks are amazing as are his fantastic throw-ins.
- Tom, central & key defender - Tom's ability to read threats is a key attribute and sorely missed when he was not on the park.
- Nick K was one of our most improved players at left back. His runs and combination plays down the left were outstanding.
- Mitchell improved dramatically with his confidence growing with every game. His corners were pin-point accurate finishing in numerous goals.
- Max was our central midfielder and became the play and game controller. Max's contribution was a major component to the team's success.
- Jayden has amazing skill and ball control often baffling the opposition with deft movements. His combination 1-2 plays were a highlight.
- Jared 's balls skills were brilliant. His strong positional play and physical style of play was a feature of play.
- Matt started late and finished early due to Youth League but while with us he was dynamic, scoring 12 goals and equal Golden Boot.
- Lewis has been exceptional; he is a great player and can play any position. His speed and tenacity is a great asset to the team.
- Joel T had a fantastic season. Joel also showed his versatility by playing in numerous positions and scoring 10 goals.
- Alex – Pizza has improved dramatically this season. As the season progressed, he was scoring goals in virtually every game
- Nick H showed great ball skills and super tenacity. Nick set up many attacking raids with precision runs through midfield.
- Jacob – Rowdy is one of the team's unsung heroes. Great runs, great goals and was equal Golden Boot with 12 goals.

A team **Thank You** to Bryan, Tim and the parents.

2009 U15/2: Jayden Bennett, Lewis Chesworth, Joel Doran, Jacob Harding, Nicholas Harrison, Nicholas Kramhoff, Matthew Newton, Alex O'Connor, Max Peake, Jared Robinson, Mitchell Robson, Joel Thompson, James Walsh and Thomas Winn.

Coach: Michael Robson

Manager: Brian Robinson

## U15/3 – Premiers

Springwood United F.C under 15 Div3 had a season the boys, parents and club should be truly proud of.

The boys competed in the 2009 Kanga Cup competition in Canberra only to find out they were the only div 3 side to enter the competition.

With most teams being either div 1 or composite representative sides the boys were going to be playing against some quality opposition.

Our Springwood boys were competitive against all teams and certainly gave no opposition an easy game.

The game against last year's winners and this year's eventual winners "Coffs United" saw our boys realizing their potential and keeping the competition winners to a nil – nil draw and unlucky not to come away with a win.

The Coffs United supporters found it hard to fathom that our boys played in a div 3 local competition and were full of praise.

On the local scene the 15/3s were crowned Minor Premiers with 11 wins, 1 loss and 2 draws scoring 38 goals and conceding only 6.

Unfortunately for the semi finals the boys couldn't bring their "A" game onto the pitch but such are the vagaries of finals football where things just weren't meant to be.

Throughout the season the parents, who are a tight knit group always had the boys' best interests at heart. They have shown on many occasions true passion for the game and always promoted fair play and sportsmanship and made it fun.

A special thank you to Tracy Blake our manager who has always kept us organized and headed up the fund raising drive which saw all the boys and parents able to travel to Canberra for the Kanga Cup.

Many thanks goes to Paul Parlato for organizing training strips, extra training equipment, sponsorship and who could forget his sideline renditions of "KAAAAAN THE WOODIES!!!"

A big thanks to Roy and his boys from the 15/4's as well as Lucas Magennis and Josh Bennett who were always there to help us.

It has been an honour and privilege to coach our boys who in turn have provided me with invaluable coaching experience and I will always cherish the friendships I have made with the players and their parents over the years.

Finally to Josh Patterson, thank you for all your help with the boys you can do this

2009 U15/3: Jordan Blake, Andrew Dougan, Harrison Fuller, Jacob Green, Thomas Hutchinson, Jayden Magennis, Dylan O'Brien, Ben Parkin, Ethan Parlato, Ty Parlato, Filip Radulovic, Glenn Temple, Stephen Willson and Samuel Wyatt.

Coach: Hayden Bissett

Manager: Tracey Blake

## **U15/4 – 6<sup>th</sup>**

The 15/4's for 2009 had many players who had not played together before, and with a very shaky start to the 2009 season, these young men showed an enormous amount of commitment from their first game of the season. It was a battle to get a full team on the pitch each, but each player who took to the pitch put in a huge effort & the scores did not reflect the effort the Lads put in. As the season progressed it was a pleasure see many of the Lads mature, both as footballers & as young men, this resulted in a few wins, a few close games & finally the pennant final in which the Lads were runners up, congratulations Lads, not many folk expected us to get that far, I knew you had it in you.

It was a privilege to coach these young men this year & watch the changes which took place in their football & their lives.

Thank you to Ellen & Eric for managing the team this year & to the parents who stepped in to manage when Ellen & Eric could not make it, thank you to the parents for supporting their sons throughout a tough year, thank you to Haydn & Ron Bissett, Tracey Blake & the 15/3's for their support & help throughout the year.

Lastly, but not least, thank you Lads for a very enjoyable year, I am proud of the efforts you put in this year, you surprised many people.

2009 U15/4: Mitchell Carr, Braydn Clifford, Toby Gaggin, Andrew Hudson, Samuel Ling, Chris Mackenzie, Joshua Micallef, Alexander Murphy, Roy Nineham, James Page, Zac Tregillgas and Sean Waldron.

Coach: Roy Clifford

Manager: Ellen Gaggin

# WOMENS FOOTBALL TEAM REPORTS

## U12G/1 – Runners Up

With only 7 players from last year's team available and 7 players from various other teams it looked like 2009 was to be a major challenge. After a few rounds & then going into a game with only 10 players and beating the eventual premiers Emu Plains at their home ground we moved to top of the table and held that position for nearly half the season. Being the only team to beat the premiers and finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> was a great achievement.

Finishing top of the round robin the girls form and confidence is peaking for the Grand Final. Arguably our best game of the season and the start of the escalating form was the unfortunate loss of 2-1 to Emu in the round robin via 2 own goals off set plays. With several of their supporters stating that we had outclassed them even in loss.

Between the sticks and playing 2 years above her age Isabelle has been the form keeper of the comp. Centre back Kate controlled the outside backs of Phoebe & Katrina whom the opposition rarely passed for a clean shot on goal. With Jess & Alannah (Fuzzy) regularly called to play defence if not in midfield the defensive team stayed solid. Laura played defensive mid with a high work rate and regular imposing runs through midfield cutting the opposition apart. Breianna in centre mid held the middle solid and played great balls into space for the strikers, with her partners in the mid Harriett & Alana the passing and angles were worked to great effect. Stacey when not in the mid played up front & was rewarded with a well finished goal last game. Attacking mid Bree linked well with the strikers and pushed into the front line to assist with the tally, Mikaela against players twice her size fought hard for the ball and never gave up and was overjoyed when rewarded with a goal. Lily with her pace, control and finishing skills finished as top goals corer.

All the parents & coach are proud of the girls, the spirit in which they play and the team work that they put on display. Thanks to Cathy Cunningham for carrying out the Managers duties, and to Ken Brandli for the weekly reports to the Gazette. Thank you to the parents for your continual support and sideline encouragement.

2009 U12G/1: Alannah Brandli, Harriet Cobbin, Jessica Cunningham, Lily Davies, Breianna Gilchrist, Stacey Krywinski, Kate Lutherborrow, Isabelle Mansfield, Bree McLellan, Laura Nay, Mikaela Pastore, Phoebe Rivory, Katrina Vlastic and Alana Westwell.

Coach: Chris Gilchrist

Manager: Cathy Cunningham

## U12G/3 – 7<sup>th</sup>

This team was a mix of 10, 11, and 12 year old girls. As there weren't the numbers this year for a 10girls team we had a very young 12 girls team. Despite this the girls made up for their youth and gave it everything they could.

It was an extremely tough competition with several much bigger and more physical teams.

At the beginning of the season our girls were too polite on the field almost waiting for the opposition to "have their turn" before going to the ball.

Towards the end of the season the improvements were coming thick and fast and the passion for the ball was ignited in the pennant finals ending up with 2 wins and a draw. It was great for the girls ending a tough season on such a positive note. They are a great bunch of girls!

- Olivia Hutchinson – always a strong performer in the midfield & great for the throw ins.
- Lydia Kearns – for her first season of soccer she shows great potential for most positions.
- Eboni Fogerty – the little general of defence! We really missed her at the end of the season.
- Briony May – great left winger/ striker & top goal scorer.
- Olivia Clark – always dependable for her goal kicks & a great goal keeper.
- Caitlin Day – very busy out on the park often in defence then attacking instantly.

- Jessica Cambourn – very strong defender & always looks dangerous in attack.
- Breanna Fodor – tower of strength at right full back often bettering larger opponents.
- Kaitlinn Rutland – most enthusiastic player and has energy and skills to match.
- Kirsti Fuhrmann – when determined shows no fear towards oncoming players.
- Daniqua Scali – good team player and willing to learn on the run.
- Bridonie Nicholson – most pleasure to teach and has a never die attitude.
- Zoe Whyte – an inspiration to her team mates in goals & tireless in the striker position.
- Brooke Whyte – the driving motor behind the team gave 110% when required.

2009 U12G/3: Jessica Cambourn, Olivia Clark, Caitlin Day, Breanna Fodor, Eboni Fogerty, Kirsti Fuhrmann, Olivia Hutchinson, Lydia Kearns, Jade Kralj, Briony May, Bridonie Nicholson, Kaitlinn Rutland, Daniqua Scali, Brooke Whyte and Zoe Whyte.

Coach: Steve Fogerty

Manager: Annabel Whyte

## U14G/1 Black – Premiers

What a sensational year!!! Here are the statistics:-

- Premiers in their first year in division one
- A 46 / 8 goal difference in a very tough comp
- One of only two Springwood teams to have qualified for Champion of Champions

Whilst impressive, the statistics probably don't show the true success that this team has had.

The White Tigers are not just an outstanding football team but an outstanding group of girls who love playing the game and love playing for each other.

Their mix of speed, strength, skill and sportsmanship makes them an absolute delight to watch. They have been far and away the entertainers of this competition.

Essentially they are happy to be together and are happy to develop their gifts to achieve their goals. It's a simple formula; but one that's extremely hard to replicate.

These girls are a credit to their families, their club and soon will be for Nepean.

It's been a pleasure to be part of the journey.

I can't wait to see how it unfolds!

Thank you so much girls. It's been great fun.

One last thing: a season like this cannot happen without the great contribution of all parents and supporters. With this in mind I would especially like to thank our manager Allison Edwards for her tireless efforts throughout the season, John May, Ian Sanford, Duncan Walker and Jamie Smith for their help at various times at training and David Wilson for his insightful reports each week. I'd also like to sneak in a special thank you to Sam Fenech for the help he has given us at each training session.

The White Tigers are:

- Goalie: Carly Sanford
- Sweeper and Captain: Dimity Edwards
- Backs: Denya May, Fiona Erich
- Stopper: Lucy Fenech
- Middies: Megan Gaudiosi, Sarah Carter, Savannah Walker, Grace Davies, Lauren Wilson
- Forwards: Mia Vallieres, Georgia Dunham, Tequila Rathbone

2009 U14G/1 Black: Sarah Carter, Grace Davies, Georgia Dunham, Dimity Edwards, Fiona Erich, Lucy Fenech, Megan Gaudiosi, Denya May, Tequila Rathbone, Carly Sanford, Mia Vallieres, Savannah Walker and Lauren Wilson.

Coach: Charlie Fenech

Manager: Alison Edwards

## **U14G/1 White – 8<sup>th</sup>**

This has been the fourth season that the Sprinters have been together! After winning U/12 Division Two in 2008 undefeated, the girls were promoted to U/14 Division One. All knew that this was to be a tough assignment and all agreed it would be challenging. The main objective was to learn with the second to enjoy and have FUN, FUN & FUN.

The girls suffered some big losses due to the maturity and size of other teams but all soldiered on never giving up hope & looking beyond the result. The opposing teams were more experienced in comparison. Some had already had a season in Division One. However we improved more than anyone else: e.g. Initial defeats were 11-0, then 6-0, then 1-0. Another 12-0, then 6-0, 5-0 then 2-1 etc HOWZAT!!! I believe that is called Improvement!

Attitudes were positive and enlightening. The girls demonstrated IT'S NOT ALL ABOUT WINNING BUT GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT AND INTERACTION. Other coaches, managers and many parents commented on what a great team we were.

This season we would like to especially commend Jemma Jones for being an excellent goal keeper and great all rounder, Natalie Meehan, for her power kicks, Isabella Wiggins for being a forceful forward, Sophie Peterson for her tireless defence, Alice Boidin for being Miss Consistency. Further mention goes to Rachel Joret as great improvement, Sarah Jane McLaughlin, the quite achiever Victoria Moore, full of gusto and effort, Lauren Wells, great sport prepared to play anywhere, Cassie Lees, always having a go and never giving up, Lilli Woodland, always willing & able with great team spirit, Tahlia Weber, always smiling cool & calm & Sarah Smith Wade the rock.

Thanks to Steve Jones who always kept the team motivated with his friendly approach giving excellent tips from his very knowledgeable skill base. Thanks to Sarah Peterson for doing a wonderful job as Manager and all parents - all were fantastic with loads of support.

2009 U14G/1 White: Alice Boidin, Jemma Jones, Rachel Joret, Cassie Lees, Sarah-Jane McLaughlin, Natalie Meehan, Victoria Moore, Sophie Peterson, Sarah Smith-Wade, Tahlia Weber, Lauren Wells, Isabella Wiggins and Lilli Woodland.

Coach: Steve Jones

Manager: Sarah Peterson

## **U14G/2 Black – Runners Up**

Eight players returned to this upgraded team from the U14G/3 last year and were supplemented by five girls new to the team. Although it took a while for some of the players to find their area of expertise on the field, when it came together during the games, it was a joy to watch.

It was a strange season for us this year. Only one team in the competition really gave us any cause for concern and I think this worked against us as we rarely had to try hard to secure a win. Maybe with more challenging opposition we would have developed further as a team. It was our toughest game all year that saw us knocked out of final contention in the semi's, and I think that this was due to us just not expecting the hard fought game that it turned out to be!

Something that we all should remember though, is that football is a team sport. In the end, it is the team that is responsible for winning or losing, never an individual player!

I don't think that I need to comment on the talents of each player individually. I can say that at various points during the season every girl played some exceptional football. Keep working at it girls. Unfortunately, it's fitness and the boring, mundane, repetitive skills practice that makes the difference between an average player and an outstanding one.

To the girls that decide to return to the "beautiful game" next year – good luck to you!

I would particularly like to thank Shelly Slender, who was again this year, an outstanding manager. Thanks as well to Paul and Brian, who along with Steve and/or Jenny were always around to lend a hand with the early morning nets or to be our team Marshall. Thanks too, to Dave Rowe who kindly helped out at training.

And last, but not least, a big thanks to all the parents who turned up to support the girls at the games.

2009 U14G/2 Black: Jessica Crowther, Gabrielle Flood, Ellen Goodwin, Alannah Howard, Chloe Lynch, Heidi Lynch, Kiera Minney, Alexandra Redmond, Chloe Richards, Tarli Rowe, Courtney Slender, Shannon Slender and Antonia Vial.

Coach: Vicki Redmond

Manager: Sherylyn Slender

## **U14G/2 White – 7<sup>th</sup>**

Congratulations Girls, what a year, win lose or draw, you always tried your hardest even when short of players. As a first time coach it was an absolute pleasure to see the team work improve to the level of the last 3-4 games, our team as follows:

- Gabriella Boyd -Gabby always worked hard in defense and midfield.
- Bonnie Chandler -She improved every game and was a very versatile player and solid in defense.
- Johnise Cutner -First year of playing and improved every game, done everything that was asked of her.
- Larissa Knutsen -Played her best every game and was outstanding with communicating with her team mates on the field.
- Ashleigh Koutsoukos -With outstanding ball skills in midfield and solid in goals.
- Kasey Krywinski -Hard working and fearless mid fielder with a big kick that scored many goals.
- Samantha Lewsley -Always played to her best in attack and improved immensely through the year to become a good striker.
- Natalie McGovern -A brave goal keeper that improved throughout the year and with a strong kick in defense.
- Phoebe Richardson -Strong in defense with no fear when the opposition was attacking.
- Shannon Robertson -Outstanding in defense and a most reliable player.
- Avalon Ross -Very athletic whether attacking or in goals and good ball skills.
- Gabrielle Rowe -Tireless in defense and saved more goals as sweeper then could be counted.
- Brooke Sayers -Hard working forward with plenty of speed and a powerful passing game.

Many thanks to Ernie and Greg for their expert coaching assistance. Without our tireless manager Cathy this team may not be where it is today due to her incredible skills in organizing myself and the team.

Last but not least thank you to all the parents for their support this season.

2009 U14G/2 White: Gabriella Boyd, Bonnie Chandler, Johnise Cutner, Larissa Knutsen, Ashleigh Koutsoukos, Kasey Krywinski, Samantha Lewsley, Natalie McGovern, Phoebe Richardson, Shannon Robertson, Avalon Ross, Gabrielle Rowe and Brooke Sayers.

Coach: Craig McGovern

Manager: Cathy Robertson

## **U16G/1 – 7<sup>th</sup>**

We had a slow start to the year with some close losses. The girls were still finding their feet after a nonexistent pre-season. Our competition games were in fact our first games as a team, so teamwork and match fitness were not up to scratch.

The girls started to gain some momentum and unfortunately, this was halted by weeks of wet weather which again stifled progress. One thing though with this team, the girls did not give up. They put their hearts and souls into grinding out results and towards the end of the season, commenced to string wins together. As usual, our goalkeeper, Annaleise was solid and safe; Ashley and Rebecca in the backs gave each attacker a continual headache. Lyndal and Sigrid in the middle of the defence repelled many attacks by the opposition. The girls in defence were solid. Our Midfield commenced to gain control of the games towards the end of the season. Ashleigh's vision and passing put our attack into motion many times in a game. Megan played well in the left midfield position and became more confident as the season rolled on. Lauren on the right scored a memorable goal against Band Club. I think the goalie is still having nightmares about the ball blasting past her into the net. Eden improved as the season went on. Her tireless work rate was a spark for her team mates. She and Ashleigh must have run approximately 7 to 8 kms per game.



Our forward again towards the end of the season started to bang some great goals in. Cassie on the right was a continual headache for the defence and Angela was strong and ran some beautiful angles to open up opportunities to score and score she did. Chloe on the left was solid. One take away from this season is that we scored our first ever goal by a header. Cassie put in a great corner and Chloe actually met the ball and steered it into the back of the net. Fluke? No, a great goal. As a coach these are some of the highlights and joys, when a player actually replicates a skill on the pitch and it comes off. Priceless.

2009 U16G/1: Annaliese Ashton, Eden Cottee, Sigrid Dawson, Ashleigh Falchi, Cassie Gough, Ashley Harrison, Angela Hung, Lyndal Jarrett, Rebecca Matheson, Lauren Oxley, Chloe Parkins and Megan Sturges.

Coach: Rob Falchi

Manager: Robyn & Glenn Matheson

## **U16G/2 – Runners Up**

Well we had a fantastic season this year reaching 2<sup>nd</sup> place which was a great achievement considering we were a young team consisting of 6 new players, some who have never played soccer before. You all put in huge efforts each week and I appreciate that. Thanks so much to Andrew Harrop who has been there for me every week, he has had lots of lessons taught to him at training by you all and has given back so much that is why we were successful. Also a big thank you to Lucy Hatton for being our manager again we appreciate your efforts each week and also Jacqui Thomas who filled in for Lucy while she was away. We had lots of laughs and thanks for putting up with the coaches weird rituals each game you all know what they are. Not to forget the parents I appreciate your backing of the team and my decisions and bringing your beautiful daughters each week to the games and training, they have been a joy to coach. Briefly a bit about each girl.

- Alison- Fantastic back who we could always depend on keeping the opposition away from our goals.
- Amelia-Our left forward who's skills with crossing the ball over scored numerous goals for the team.
- Carleen- One of the timid girls to start off with but by the end of the season found her aggression in getting the ball off the opposition.
- Courtney-Our life saving goalie without her skills in goals we could have been in big trouble and probably wouldn't have gained the position we did.
- Emma-Fast as lightning there was no catching her by the opposition and no way of getting past her when she was defending.
- Fiona-Lots of pressure put on her with taking all our kicks but she came through each time with no complaints.
- Hannah-Our stopper of the team played so beautifully each week in attack and defence and read the game so well and always with a smile
- Jessica B-Our fill in goalie which she did a great job for us and also played in the backs with good defence skills.
- Jessica T-Our left back with a big boot very scary to the opposition and even to us no one wanted to mess with her.
- Jodie-Well she has the name "fancy Feet" for a reason she is the queen of foot moves getting the ball away from the opposition each week.
- Kirsten-Centre Mid fielder worked tirelessly each week with constant attack and defence and huge throw ins

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- Rosie-Well she found her position in the forwards and she did a fantastic job for the team scoring many goals.
- Shannon-A good versatile player put her anywhere and she will perform, a good aggressive player.
- Tegan-New to the team and what an asset she played left mid-field and did a great job each week.

Thanks again girls and I hope you all continue to play soccer for many years to come. Well Done!

2009 U16G/2: Jessica Bansgrove, Alison Bjornberg, Carleen Bonora, Rosie Buckridge, Fiona Harrop, Amelia Hatton, Jodie Hayes, Kirsten Kennedy, Annastasia Murphy, Emma Murray, Teegan Patching, Courtney Slender, Shannon Slender, Jessica Thomas and Hannah Voura.

Coach: Simone Kennedy

Manager: Lucy Hatton

### **U16G/3 – 4<sup>th</sup>**

The season began at Wentworth Falls for a happy go lucky group most of whom had not played together before. By the last game at Claremont Meadows we were a united force to be reckoned with. We had a fantastic year. Good football was played as the team improved from round to round. Our passing and team skills by the end of the season were impressive. Our season culminated in reaching the top four play-offs.

Lead magnificently by coach Parsons we were difficult to beat. Only three teams had our measure, and we improved against each of them round by round. The sportsmanship displayed by each player was a testament to their character and brought pride to their families, and resulted in our faithful band of supporters turning up week in and week out.

From ever reliable and impressive Maddison in goals, through our courageous backs Liz, Kathryn, Madeline, Rebekah, and Emily by way of our determined mid fielders Molly, Taylor, Jodie, Angela, Lucy and Erica to our impressive strikers Laura and Bianca we were a complete team.

It was a pleasure to be involved with such a fun and vibrant group. Well done and well played. Never once was the team let down by any player. You made your coach and manager proud. Thank you. Enjoy the off season. See you next year.

2009 U16G/3: Elizabeth Carter, Maddison Duck, Kathryn Dunkley, Lucy Gegg, Angela Hearn, Jodie Knutsen, Taylor Krywinski, Laura McIntosh, Madeline Parsons, Molly Rowe, Rebekah Smith-Wade, Emily Smyth, Bianca Trovato and Erika Williams.

Coach: Blake Parsons

Manager: David Dunkley

### **U18G/1 Black – Premiers**

The season began with the bringing together of two teams, the U16/3 and U18/1 from last year. The question was, how long would it take to get the understanding and combinations of each other's play and to get it to all gel? The answer was, not long at all, a couple of preseason games and we were under way to a flying start.

In a very competitive division 1 competition, the girls displayed teamwork, sportsmanship, the ability to score and save some amazing goals, and above all had some fun at the same time. They finished in the top four and throughout the course of the season managed to defeat all other teams except one, the other Springwood team, who really were in another class of their own.

To single out players is always difficult, except if you are talking about goalkeepers, and in our case this year we had one brave and naturally talented keeper who kept us in many games, well done Taylor! Thanks also to Alice and Stefanie for filling in when required.

The foundation of this team was built on a very strong defensive unit, Yvette, Kristen, Hannah, Lousia, Penni and Alice who worked so hard together to foil the opposition and to start our counterattacks! The midfield was sprinkled with wonderful talent and hardworking players, who never gave up, lead by Stefanie's example, Emma, Hayley and Audrey were constantly involved in the thick of things in the

middle of the park. Up front we were always creating goal scoring opportunities with our speedy and talented strikers, Allyson, Tegan and Emily, who were sometimes joined by versatile players such as Hannah, Lousia, Stefanie, Penni and Alice to help finish off our moves.

There is not a team full of teenage girls who have school, work, dance, drama and social commitments that would ever get to the correct field on time for a game of football, without a very well organised manager! So a big "thank you" must go to Julie for her time and patience throughout the season.

To the parents and supporters of our girls, thank you for being there each week and cheering them on from the sidelines.

Finally I would like to say, it has been a pleasure to coach this team throughout the season and I wish them all the best with their football, the future at Springwood looks bright and exciting.

2009 U18G/1 Black: Nicole Britten, Clare Carter, Annalise Collier, Hannah Denny, Eliza Gawthorne, Kathryn Gilchrist, Samantha Grego, Callandra Haynes, Tarn Kaldor, Jacqueline Laffan, Martine Lappan, Joanne Lutherborrow, Isabella Saunders, Jacinta Standen, Kaitlyn Sturges and Rebecca Trimboli.

Coach: Mark Denny

Manager: Peter Trimboli

### **U18G/1 White – 4<sup>th</sup>**

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2009 U18G/1 White: Allyson Andread, Kristen Blakers, Penelope Chapman, Hannah Christie, Emma Guest, Tegan Haberman, Alice Harrop, Hayley Malouf, Karina Moloney, Yvette O'Reilly, Audrey Quicke, Margaret Sheen, Taylor Slender, Stefanie Trovato, Louisa Weston and Emily Wheeler.

Coach: Derek Chapman

Manager: Julie Christie

## **AAL/1 – 7<sup>th</sup>**

After many years of success the team had trouble fielding a team this season in the highest division. As such the team ran short in some games and this is reflected in their final position in the table. With work, study and injuries this season was a struggle for many.

2009 AAL/1: Elizabeth Boersma, Ashleigh Buckingham, Camille Buckingham, Melanie Dighton, Kyla Fitzpatrick, Natasha Hawes, Jessica Hudson, Felicity James, Rachel Kelly, Alexis Matthews, Rachelle Raams, Rebecca Ritchie, Miyoko Tongor, Loren Young and Vicki Zacharia.

Coach: Ken Dufty

Manager: Melanie Dighton

## **AAL/2 – Runners Up**

This was a year of “so near, but so far”. We came second but we know in our hearts that we let slip a great chance of coming first. Still, we have earned the right to play first grade next year and with a bit more application I think we will be competitive in the top flight.

One of our strengths throughout the year was that all of our team could play in two or three positions during the same game and I thank you all for your versatility and willingness to have a go in a different role.

I feel that we were hamstrung all year due to the fact that we had to play out field players in goals which weakened our structure and competitiveness. I therefore would like to thank Trish, Claire, Hutch and Fiona for putting their hands up to play between the sticks. Hopefully we can find a dedicated goalkeeper next year and this problem will be overcome.

Our defence was strengthened with the inclusion of Libby and she was ably supported by Claire, Fiona, Ellen, Ruth and Trish. These players, in the main, formed a ruthless defence that gave us a strong platform to attack from.

The midfield, consisting of Hutch, Jenny, Kerrie, Emilie and Danni worked tirelessly all year and never gave the opposition a moment's peace.

We had a rotating forward line and those that played there worked hard against some very strong defences. Sarah, Jess, Fiona, Trish, Kerrie, Danni, Hutch, Ellen and Em all had their turns up front and all scored goals at vital times.

Paul Creelman again co-coached the team and I know the ladies appreciate his calm approach and sound knowledge of the game.

We were fortunate to have Anne Skrzypnik step into the manager's role and her work behind the scenes enabled Paul and I to concentrate solely on coaching.

Lastly, thanks to the parents, partners and friends that come down each weekend to cheer the team on. Your support, at times, gets us over the line.

2009 AAL/2: Emilie Adams, Jessica Adams, Ruth Boidin, Jennifer Creelman, Kerrie Hawkes, Patricia Hussain, Elizabeth Hutchison-Green, Elizabeth Rheinberger, Claire Sargent, Ellen Sargent, Cassie Simadas, Fiona Skrzypnik, Danielle Wachter and Sarah Wilby.

Coach: Ian Sargent

Manager: Anne Skrzypnik

## **AAL/5 – 5<sup>th</sup>**

After twenty years playing professional soccer and ten years of coaching, my first year coaching an all age ladies team has been an eye opener. After my first training session I realised these ladies were very focused about their soccer. With only one hour training per week, and seven of the squad not having played the game before, this seemed a daunting task for my coaching skills. After about six weeks into the season we started to 'gel' as a team. There is room for improvement for these ladies next season however to finish fifth this year out of ten teams was an excellent result.

Thank you to our team, special mention for our Captain Annette Harrop for her steadying influence on the team, also for Anne Hurni who sustained a knee injury which ended her season prematurely. A big thank you to the younger 'generation' of soccer girls who helped us throughout the season: Hannah Christie, Lyndall Jarrett, Taylor Krywinski, Kasey Krywinski, Yvette O'Reilly, Eden Cottee, Megan Sturges, Kerrie Cusack, Annabel Whyte, Jackie Laffan, Kaitlyn Sturges, Taylor Slender, and also our leading goal scorer Alice Harrop. Last but not least to our always smiling team manager Michelle "O", thank you for all the support.

Thank you ladies for all your support throughout an interesting year. Also thanks to all the parents and grandparents for your ongoing support and encouragement.

2009 AAL/5: Heidi Boon, Deanne Cole, Susan Dunn, Sara Fletcher, Megan Gilchrist, Annette Harrop, Debbie Hearn, Kerrie Hurcum, Anne Hurni, Michele Kralj, Kim Krywinski, Jane Manners, Melinda Morris, Michelle O'Flanagan, Melanie Parry, Marina Rowe and Carla Sawyer.

Coach: Duncan Wilson

Manager: Michelle O'Flanagan

### **AAL/6 – 4<sup>th</sup>**

What a season we've had! Starting the season with what we thought was a 14 player team soon fell to 12 (pregnancy & glandular fever). Not too long into the season another was lost to work commitments. Most games we played with 9, occasionally grabbing upgrades to have a full team. Subs? What are they?

We had illness, injuries, work, holidays (going away in soccer season! What a sin. Lol). You name it, it was thrown at us. Towards the end of the season our beloved coach retired. Thanks Mike for putting up with us as long as you did.

We pulled together and with the help of 3 wonderful under 16 girls, we finished off strong and came 4<sup>th</sup>. We won our semi final!!! Finals here we come!

We don't need to single out any players as we all did our best and considering our ups and downs coming 4<sup>th</sup> and now heading for the finals is something to be proud of.

Thankyou girls and thanks to the great 16's and 18's girls who helped us out. We couldn't have done it without you.

2009 AAL/6: Ellen Clarkstone, Jessica Clifton, Julia Clifton, Kerrie Cusack, Emily Diamond, Melissa Dossantos, Jessica Mullens, Natasha Murphy, Crystal Peake, Amanda Sadler, Jamie Smith, Jade Thompson, Laura-Jane Voris and Annabel Whyte.

Coach: Michael Voris and Kerry Cusack

Manager: Annabel Whyte

## **2009 Annual General Meeting**

**5 pm Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2009**

**Clubhouse at Summerhayes Park**

## SUNDAY FOOTBALL TEAM REPORTS

### U16/2 – Runners Up

A great consistent season from the boys, finishing runners-up and making it through to the Grand Final. The boys have gone out to play football, and regardless of the game played by the other side, sportsmanship was at the fore. It was a pleasure to be associated with the boys. We have really appreciated the support of the boys and all their parents.

- Jacob Crawley – Our ever reliable goal keeper who kept us in a number of games, especially the semis.
- Andrew Jones – One of the four backs that controlled and stifled most attacks
- Jordan Scoble – Back and key corner and direct free kick taker – huge clearing kicks from the back often turning defence into attack
- Brad Millevoi – directed defence from the back and quite often combining with Ashley up the right hand side bringing the ball all the way up the field
- Jack Ticehurst – gentle 'giant' at the back who intimidated most teams with his strong defence, good big kicks
- Brendan Pitt – one of our halves, intimidating in defence, a real asset to the team
- Tom Synnott – with his twin capable of playing well up front or in the middle – 100% effort
- Alex Synnott – another of the real team players who gave his all
- Ashley Wachter – Ever reliable Mr Perpetual Motion – his incisive runs up the right hand side and crosses into the centre provided numerous scoring opportunities –enormous turn of speed
- Nick Lehman – Left wing and half – as with Ashley large numbers of attacks emanated from his runs up the left and crosses into the centre
- Griffon Millar – captain and chief organiser from the front – lead goal scorer for the team
- Alex Woodland – ever versatile player, playing anywhere from front to the backs without question and with skill
- Daniel Frazer – another of the players able to play in a number of positions, reliable in attack or defence

2009 U16/2: Jacob Crawley, Daniel Frazer, Andrew Jones, Nicholas Lehman, Griffon Millar, Bradley Millevoi, Brendan Pitt, Jordan Scoble, Alexander Synnott, Thomas Synnott, Jack Ticehurst, Ashley Wachter and Alex Woodland.

Coach: Stuart Woodland

Manager: Brad Millevoi

### U16/3 – 6<sup>th</sup>

The defence Sean, Anthony, Daniel played tirelessly creating breaks. The mids working endlessly in creating opportunities for our forwards Josh, Lachlan and Rob who tried continuously to find the net. Khye the goalie who never gave up and Blake, Christopher, Jess, Patrick, Zac who were willing to play numerous positions all year. It has been a pleasure to coach you all.

2009 U16/3: Anthony Beutler, Khye Carter, Daniel Chapman, Patrick Goulding-Wardle, Robert Goulding-Wardle, Blake Huthnance, Sean McLoughlin, Lachlan Rea, Joshua Sayers, Zac Tregillgas, Jesse Walker and Christopher Weston.

Coach: Irene Wardle

Manager: Lucinda Beutler

### U17/1 – 8<sup>th</sup>

Only with 3 players of last year's team and an influx of new lads from places like Wenty Falls, Penrith and Kurrajong added to a team that virtually had to start from scratch. They were given a tough task in being



graded as division 1 and played against teams that had been together for 5 or more years, so it was always going to be a bit of an uphill battle.

The boys always put in the effort, but on many occasions, due to lack of numbers, they would tire in the last 20 minutes and the opposition would bang in 3 or 4 quick goals. It was often the case of the score not really reflecting the general play of the game.

In goals, Drew Burkinshaw was kept busy and many a score could have been higher without some of his saves. The Fullbacks consisted of Rob Colquhoun, Reece Cole, Matty Samuels, Rohan Vance and Paul Hoare and they were often called upon to provide the team with some scrambling defence as the game was often centred down their end of the pitch. The midfielders worked tirelessly throughout the season and were often interchanged due to the sheer amount of running involved. Craig Babic and Mitch Carpini held the centre of the midfield with James Shipp, Joshua Hume, Tallock Johnson, and James Ray adding strength as wide runners. The 3 guys up front, Jacob Quinn, Rohan Simms and Ash Bookluck, had their fair share of opportunities and despite some attempts just falling short they managed to score some cracking goals.

Despite a disappointing season as far as results go, they managed to score a few of the competition leaders by putting up some good fights despite fatigue setting in.

It was a tumultuous year with lots of games cancelled, re-scheduled, moved or forfeited due to the amount of rain. This also stopped them being able to train together and this only added to the lad's frustration in trying to bond as a team. Despite this, I think that the boys all took away something with them this year and learned some new skills along the way – which is a very big part of what the game is all about.

I would like to congratulate all the lads on their tenacity through a trying year and hope that they come back for another go in 2010. I would also like to thank the parents who often stepped in to do the nets, sometimes manage and mainly running the boys around from such long distances.

Thank you also to the coach, Paul, who took on the boys despite a large amount of commitments within the club.

2009 U17/1: Craig Babic, Ash Bookluck, Drew Burkinshaw, Mitchell Carpini, Reece Cole, Robert Colquhoun, Paul Hoare, Joshua Hume, Tallock Johnson, Jacob Quinn, James Ray, Matthew Samuels, James Shipp, Rohan Simms and Rohan Vance.

Coach: Paul Riberio

Manager: Mick Burkinshaw

## **U17/2 – 8<sup>th</sup>**

Well what a year it's been.

I know I am the coach, and it's in the job description to teach and lead the boy's to victory on and off the field of football, but this year has been different in many ways.

At the start of the year when we all got together, we had to make a hard decision of what we wanted to achieve, either win the comp, get fit, or just go out and have fun. Now you have to remember the team was made of 15 players, around the age 16 years. Their choice was to get fit and have fun doing it. Our first training session was a road run which in turn turned into a road walk, but we had fun doing it, and we learnt a lot about each other on the way. During the year the fun and enjoyment continued in training and at games. I had my own agenda along the way. Let the lads grow up quickly and make them able to make decisions on their own, and to be supportive of each other. I did this by having the 4 reserve players make

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the decision on who they were going to replace on the field, and them pointing out where our weaknesses were and how we could fix them. The lads I had were all of different playing levels, and using this method, we found that all were supportive of each other's needs and abilities. Now the real achievement this year was to show me how to have fun again and I thank all of them very much for that, and really appreciate what they put into the team spirit as well. I would also love to thank Donna Paterson for all the hard work she did as Manager this year with all of us 16 guys, and the way she made us all toe the line on the field and off. Also, a big thank you to all the Mums and Dads for their support and encouragement as well. But a big thank you must go to Joshua Patterson the team captain, for the great support he showed towards the team and myself on the field and at training, where I would ask him what we were doing for training and he knew straight away what to do, and how to arrange the Lads and myself for the task, and even the Lads did what he had planned.

2009 U17/2: Matthew Ams, Janne Birkner, Rowan Blake, Gerard Bonora, Adam Doran, Hamish Dunham, Stuart Fox, Jonathon Kibble, Jake Lewer, Liam Nicholas, Joshua Patterson, Jake Small, Jonathan Small, Ben Smith and Luke Wood.

Coach: Martin Doran

Manager: Donna Patterson

## **U18/1 – 6<sup>th</sup>**

Not our most successful season, but coach Daryl again brought skill & enthusiasm to the job, and the boys kept on keeping on, particularly when it counted.

- Luke Smith - goalkeeper is always a hard position to fill but Luke showed improvement and increased confidence this year.
- Joel back after 2 years demonstrated great skill - great to see him back to his old form.
- Jake is a strong central defender and organiser who never stops, and always does an extra lap at training.
- Nathan is a strong and versatile left footer and will play any position, but works hard to the end and never lets the opposition rest.
- Jono is the go anywhere player every team needs. Always fun to have him in the team, packed with talent and always keen to entertain!
- Brayden impressed this year, and showed determination and commitment. Hope he continues as he will be a great asset to the team.
- Mitchell gives his all no matter how late he is been out the previous night. Always the comedian with a friendly and positive nature.
- Chris is a strong defender and an asset to have in the team, he can be very intimidating and a formidable force to the opposition.
- Alan has excelled this year as right back defender and each year he just gets better. If I could get his hair cut he would be complete!
- Tim should be nicknamed the 'Stealth Bomber' as he is the quiet achiever and never backs off from attack. Always a pleasure to have Tim in the team.
- Jack on the other hand is the complete opposite. You always know Jack is on the attack and opponents should watch out, but he always does it with a big cheeky smile!
- Tim is a versatile talented footballer who gives 100% - a great asset to the team. Tim always puts in until the final whistle is blown.
- Robert has had a great season this year, an incredible asset for free kicks within scoring range.
- Luke Curtis has a lot of speed and agility that challenges his opponents. Some of his goals scored this year would be worthy of the premiership!
- Alex has impressed in centre mid this season. A strong and gutsy player who instils confidence and strength to his team mates
- Ben has a throw in that is as good as any free kick and don't think I have seen a stronger tackler. Sometimes you just have to turn away and hope the opponent survives.
- Mark is a determined player that never backs away. More often than not he hassles the opponent into making a mistake which can be beneficial for his team.
- Craig showed great skill and promise early on but dropped out mid season.

Congratulations to all for a great season, and thanks to the parents for their help and support throughout the year.

2009 U18/1: Mitchell Brown, Luke Curtis, Benjamin Frazer, Robert Garland, Nathan Gegg, Jake Hankin, Brayden Horner, Allan Hung, Timothy Hunter, Mark Jansen, Jonathan Lees, Timothy Lehman, Craig Lewis, Alex Menzies, Jack Mills, Joel Nunn, Christopher Rawle and Luke Smith.

Coach: Daryl Smith

Manager: Michael Rawle

### **AAM/2 – 3<sup>rd</sup>**

AA/2's finished their season in 3rd place with only 2 defeats all season. Not a bad effort after being moved up from division 3 last year. When the team was on fire there were none better in the league. This was shown in a 2-1 win against 1<sup>st</sup> place RSL.

Our team was very strong in all aspects of the game. In our attack we had skill and vision and scored many goals thanks to Cam Douglas, Matt 'Ranga' Lewis and Adam Parsons.

In the midfield we were spoilt for choice. Brady Robson and Ian 'Goalless' Davidson were our wingers and did a great job at terrorising opposition wings. In the centre of midfield we had Mitch Fox, Pat Bartush and Matt 'Moz' Morrison who supplied many attacking balls and great vision.

In the 'D' we had Pat Clarkstone, Alex Fox, Damien 'Foulzer' Balzer, Alex Todd and Jesse Rolph. This defensive formation was solid all year and sometimes let other teams go 3-0 up in the first 5 minutes in the game just to give the spectators something to watch, then we would more often than not take points away from the other team.

This year we had two goalkeepers who both had great seasons. Will Harrison stood between the sticks most of the season and pulled off some great performances one of the most inspired performances was against Rovers this year. Andy also had a great season too but was sidelined with a dislocated finger for a few weeks. He provided much confidence and vision in goals.

Dean Irvine and Paul Maloney missed most of the season but were instrumental to successful results when they did play.

A special mention goes to our very own David Marr who perfected the art of jumping over a ball. Well done buddy keep up the good work.

Jesse Rolph was our captain for the year and did a great job but he should just "admit it" that his coach was correct.

This very young squad will continue to grow and will only improve next year. Well done boys on what was a very fun and enjoyable season.

2009 AAM/2: Damien Balzer, Patrick Bartush, Matthew Burns, Patrick Clarkstone, Ian Davidson, Cameron Douglas, Alex Fox, Mitchell Fox, William Harrison, Dean Irvine, Matthew Lewis, Paul Maloney, David Marr, Andrew McEwan, Matt Morrison, Adam Parsons, Matt Richards, Brady Robson, Jesse Rolph and Alex Todd.

Coach: Alex Fox

Manager: Mitchell Fox

### **AAM/3 – Runners Up**

After improving every year this was a good result for the team. Some very dubious calls tipped the balance in some games stopping the team coming first but this was forgotten when they won the Finals in gripping form slamming home 7 penalties to 6. Well done and good luck in Division 2 next season.

2009 AAM/3: Lee Beames, Peter Dempsey, Shayne Fell, Paul Feros, Richard Ford, Phillip Hickey, Ben Hunt, Constantine Karayiannis, Matthew Macleay, Chris Meeks, Gavin Morgan, Grant Nicholls, Troy Roots, Nathan Smallwood, Glen Sullivan, Jeffrey Thompson, Daniel Vallentine and Kevin Vidler.

Coach: Peter Dempsey

Manager: Jeff Thompson

## AAM/4 – 5<sup>th</sup>

- Mick Bales – A quiet and unassuming gentleman, so much so that he couldn't seem to do anything loud enough or ridiculous enough to rate a mention in the Gazette.
- Glenn Chesworth – After spending a year getting to know his family, he realised he needed to be back here with his much beloved 'brothers', bonding and playing ordinary football.
- Tom Goudis – The Moussaka Kid had as much trouble keeping the hair from his eyes as he did scoring goals. His hair net was his friend, while the goal net was but a cold and distant acquaintance.
- Craig Harrison – As team Statistician and Strategic Planning Director, he spends way too much time pouring over past results in a futile attempt to strategise our way out of soccer obscurity.
- Brandan Haynes – A new member of the team whose general mobility and speed made him a great replacement for Leigh Banks.
- Josh Mackenzie – The team's nightclubber found that a quick sleep in his old man's car on the way to the game was all that was needed to match the ageing skills of the other team members.
- Neil Mackenzie – This legend clearly lacked support, so is off to 702 United, for a modest fee, in search of skilled team-mates, intelligent conversation and a lucrative multi-media contract.
- Adam Malouf – This mid-season recruit, another quiet, unassuming type, gave up potential interests in debating and town-crying to be with us. He now mixes all three pursuits at once!
- Lachlan O'Reilly – He might be quiet, but his inner strength is considerable given he has, without excessive counselling, accepted somewhat reticently the title of world's worst ever goalkeeper.
- Martin O'Reilly – The only player with a partner interested in following her man's passion (soccer, that is!), and it showed....when Lyndal was there, Martin would almost score.
- Trevor Pride – As goalkeeper he was our busiest player by far, but letting in way too many goals in the process. Because he is so sensitive, we didn't have the heart to replace him with our quality reserve goalie.
- Bruce Robbins – Blokes have a misguided belief they are better than they really are, but not Bruce. He is truly garbage at taking penalties, and he knows it, and that's why we like him.
- Don Sivell – 'Don the Fruiterer', self-declared, posterially hersuit, boss of the defensive line somehow gained clarity on the field that he couldn't gain in the smoke haze off it.
- Andy Smith – With a body weighed down ever so slightly by tuff stickers, this Hawkwind fan managed a game or two where he wasn't the sole cause of our loss. Well done!
- Ian Strudwick – This Mr Mom, at home and at play, was our part-time shirt washer, relieving team publicist, casual player, and even morphed into our unofficial Manager courtesy of the Greek who had no idea.
- Leigh Banks – Prefers the title of non-playing coach, but after years of giving us drinks post match and giving us food post-season, he has well earned the title of Head Waiter.

2009 AAM/4: Michael Bales, Glenn Chesworth, Tommy Goudis, Craig Harrison, Brendhan Haynes, Joshua Mackenzie, Neil Mackenzie, Lachlan O'Reilly, Martin O'Reilly, Trevor Pride, Bruce Robbins, Donald Sivell, Andrew Smith and Ian Strudwick.

Coach: Leigh Banks

Manager: Tommy Goudis

## AAM/5 – Runners Up

League games played 18, Won 12, Lost 2, Drawn 4, Goals for 53, Goals against 12, GD 41 finishing on 40 points in a 10-team competition. Semi final scored 3, 0 goals against, Final scored 2 against 1. Martin Berzin's scored 1, Tom Bird 3, Jim Bird 1, Michael Churchward 2, Chris Douglas 2, Chris Driscoll 2, Evan Freame 2, Corey Horner 11, Josh Jones 6, Rohan Miles 13, Scott Randall 8, Richard Voris 3, forfeit 3 scored & 1 own goal. The lads initially were training twice per week this eventually diminished indeed Wednesday night training was also compromised, this became a little difficult to manage as fitness and other took its toll. For 3 games we were down many players, 1 game 8 players fortunately the other team forfeited, the other two games 5 players yet we still scraped through.

The first season in AA proved fruitful and educational winning the Grand Final and finishing second in division 5, most were 18 years of age with the exception of 2 who were respectfully 19 & 24. This was a season in which the boys were sent to the baptism of fire and yet all came out smelling of roses how did they do this? I ponder and don't think even Auguste Rodin's "The Thinker" would know, these young lads should be proud of themselves as they were fearless contesting for just about everything that came their way. We knew it would be a difficult transition all were positive and were able to match assertiveness with discipline. The team conceded 12 goals in the regular season with 1 in the finals, fortunately the rear guard was awesome goalkeeper Michael Churchward was instrumental in instilling confidence in all around him; he was protected by all but specifically Josh Abbott, Jim Bird, Sam Chesworth, Matt Driscoll, Jordan Futter & Ashley Montague.

Matt during the season shared the captaincy role demonstrating commitment even after a big night. The midfield consisted of Marty Berzin's (also defence & attack) Tom Bird, Chris Douglas, Chris Driscoll (new acquisition) Evan Freame, Corey Horner (Shared Captaincy) Rohan Miles also playing forward at times & Richard Voris. The forwards in the main were Joshua Jones & Scott Randal with Scott also (defence & midfield) Thanks to John Churchward for taking on the roll of manager. Thanks Shane Randall always assisting and looking after the statistics, thanks to all supporters, parents and alike. Thanks to all in management of SUFC. Congratulations to the squad on a wonderful & successful season. Special thanks to the Birds & Driscolls.

2009 AAM/5: Joshua Abbott, Martin Berzins, James Bird, Thomas Bird, Samuel Chesworth, Michael Churchward, Chris Douglas, Chris Driscoll, Matt Driscoll, Evan Freame, Jordan Futter, Corey Horner, Joshua Jones, Rohan Miles, Ashley Montagu, Scott Randall and Richard Voris.

Coach: Steve Jones

Manager: John Churchward

### **AAM/6 – 4<sup>th</sup>**

The team consisted of 17 players who after getting off to a slow start in the competition, fought their way back to finish in fourth place. In doing this they defeated the competition leaders on both occasions.

The majority of the team have been together in the All Age competition for three years moving up from AA10 to AA8 and into AA6. Many opponents commented on the skill level and speed at which they play. These skills led to many exciting and enjoyable moments for the small but loyal band of supporters.

The pleasing thing for me as the coach is the way these young men conducted themselves both on and off the field. The play an exciting, free flowing style of soccer where any win is celebrated and any loss is quickly dismissed. For them, it is all about playing with their mates.

Thank you to Frank Ross who fulfilled the role of team manager yet again.

2009 AAM/6: Samuel Agars, Matthew Balzer, Craig Bamford, Tim Beutler, Daniel Brien, James Cobbin, Tom Cowell, Hayden Druce, David Ellacott, Tom Fehon, Andrew Iezzi, Matthew Moller, Sean Nicholas, Drew Richmond, Brady Robson, Aaron Ross and Brendan Towner.

Coach: David Bamford

Manager: Frank Ross

### **AAM/8 – 7<sup>th</sup>**

Well the season could best be described as a ride on a roller coaster, with every high we experienced we quickly fell back to the ground. But the team can be proud as I believe we must have set a world record for the most times hitting the woodwork in 1 season. It didnt matter if we 30 metres or 3 feet we still managed to hit it.

A special thank you to Kristin who once again put her hand up to try and help organise us guys. Your help was much appreciated.

All in all it was a season where a group of mates got to play some football and share in a laugh and a beer afterwards. Thanks for a good year guys.

2009 AAM/8: Geoff Bailey, Chris Bartush, Chris Cartman, Nick Cartman, Adam Cavill, Liam Dalby, Morgan Drake, Christopher Dufty, Christopher Gilchrist, Daniel Heath, David Hickey, Anthony Hincksman, Drew Richmond, Christian Shaw and Carl Tyrer.

Coach: Daniel Heath

Manager: Chris Dufty

## **AAM/11 Black – 9<sup>th</sup>**

This was our first year in the All Age competition with the age of our team ranging from 16 years up to 49 years. The majority of the players are 18 year olds who have been playing together for many years. This core group joined with a host of new players to form our team of 18.

There were many times when the loyal band of supporters saw glimpses of the team's potential and we finished the season in second last place with three good wins.

These players have one outstanding quality that makes them special. They turn up week in and week out to play against older, more skilful and occasionally more physical, teams. They may have conceded over 70 goals throughout the season but they never give up. They come to training when they can, they turn up on Sunday when they can and they represent their club proudly.

Thanks you to John Tomczyk who fulfilled the role of manager and to Tony Haigh who was there every week to chase soccer balls, put nets up and down and support the team.

2009 AAM/11 Black: Thomas Bamford, Alexander Bird, Rhys Carter, Isaac De Keizer, Adrian De Santi, Andrew Haigh, Mark Hoare, James Hudson, Mark Hudson, Eliezer Idjalahoue, David Johnson, Michael Johnson, Buster Marvell, James Meijnderts, Daniel Murray, Samuel Ross, Oren Schulze and Mark Tomczyk.

Coach: David Bamford

Manager: John Tomczyk

## **AAM/11 White – 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Here are our memorable moments from the 2009 season:

- Just because he nominated himself for this one, all of Brendon's goals throughout the season.
- Simon's run up the field from the backs each and every game.
- Tim's cracking goal during the game against Henry Lawson, pity it was for Henry not for us! (sorry Tim had to go in).
- Bryan's season ending (make that possible career ending) injury with 3 games to go! Hope the operation goes well and the leg gets better, we'd love to see you back season!
- Canada leaving the team with weeks to go!
- Chris Murphy just not being able to get that goal..... certainly not due to lack of trying!
- Caleb's red card and being given a 4 weeks suspension and successfully fighting it to be reduced to two weeks.
- Matt not being able to hear when he was being subbed so the ref told him to get off the field, he was ready to fight back for being "sent off".
- Sam removing the corner post during a game so that he could get a better shot whilst taking the corner. He was promptly told to replace it!
- Chris McLaren's broken foot taking him out of the season only a few games in. Only thing is that it wasn't a soccer injury, he broke it walking! That headed goal was SO close Chris, next year!
- Ben's goal from almost half way against Penrith FC off a corner.
- James getting a red card whilst playing western storm, his worst game of the season. Receiving a 4 week suspension and his first game back being against western storm again. However this time it was his best game of the season and he had some awesome saves!
- Being down 2-0 at half time against Emu Plains to come back and win 5-2. Lets never speak of the other Emu game again!
- Sam and Matt taking the shirts home to wash them after a game, bringing them the following week still warm from the dryer!
- Sam and Bryan both getting a hat trick in our 9-1 win over Springwood Black.
- Mark's on the line saves over the season.
- Sean filling in for us towards the end of the season and fitting in so well with the team dynamics. How about AA next year Sean??



- Lance's awesome start to the team, goal after goal and then unfortunately sustaining a knee injury taking him out.
- Garbo and his bottle of V without fail at both the games and training!
- Johnny, Simon and Mick not missing a single game all season!

THANK YOU goes out to Brendon for coaching the team this year.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MARK AND BRYAN FOR WINNING THE "PLAYERS PLAYER" AWARDS THIS YEAR. Close runners-up were James, Simon, Johnny, Brendon, Ben and Mick. There were only a few points in it.

2009 AAM/11 White: Simon Albury, James Diamond, Matthew Dugiud, Andrew Graham, Bryan Grant, Caleb Hillan, Michael Jones, Christopher McLaren, Mark McLoughlin, James Meijnderts, Timothy Murawski, Christopher Murphy, Sam Pointon, Craig Reynolds, Matt Richards, Lance Rogers, Nigel Stubbs, Brendon Vos, John Whiteside and Ben Whyte.

Coach: Brendan Vos

Manager: Tara-Lea McCulloch

### **O35/2 – 4<sup>th</sup>**

Stepping into Division 2 this season meant the pace was faster and the opposition much fitter than last season. The team lifted to the challenge and coming fourth was a good result.

2009 O35/2: Martin Beauchamp, Roy Clifford, Bradley Cook, Robert Davey, Graeme Ellis, Alan Griffiths, Graeme Horner, Warren Kinny, Michael Magyary, Peter McKay, Peter Monnink, Ciaran O'Flanagan, Rory Shanahan, David Smith, Phillip Sturges, Derek Taylor, Peter Tracey and David Watson.

Coach: Peter Monnink

Manager: Jason Kannengiesser

### **O35/3 – 5<sup>th</sup>**

After moving up a division from last year this team of old warriors had another year punctuated by some memorable wins and a few forgettable losses. At the end of the season we sat middle of the table but nobody seemed to mind too much as we had another fun year with our mates and families. One of the highlights for the year was finishing Runners Up in the Paul Bryden O35's tournament hosted by Springwood in March after a tense penalty shootout.

Our part time shot stopper Craig Muddle put in another sterling effort between the sticks, ably supported by his only slightly less acrobatic but rather heavier framed deputy Dave Sparkes. Protecting Muddsy was the dynamic backline of Andy Whitby, "Raging" Russell May, and the ever reliable Noel Lynch, who between them formed the best backline in the league. "Mad Dog" Mick Lees played his usual solid role as the swingman in the back line, and Dave Sparkes played his customary role as a back line bookend when not filling in between the sticks.

The hard working and ever so creative midfield provided the engine room once again with Ray "The Sherriff" Sherriff, Bill "Shooter" Whitby, Mark "Choc" Grima, George Shearer, and Shayne "Pup" Thompson doing their usual hard graft in the middle of the park. Paul "Tezza" Sneesby ran all year as usual and provided us with his usual version of perpetual motion. Our new signing, and arguably the teams' most elegant and athletic player Mick Eskelinen gave his all in whatever position he set himself to. For all the midfield players their dedication to supreme fitness and the development of their finely tuned skills was evident to all those who were lucky enough to witness it, a testament to all the hard long training hours put in during the year.

Our other expensive off season signing, Ian Stubbs, whilst considered as some as costing too much, provided many memorable moments as she shimmied his way to a number of goals. The old man of the team, Ian Hill continued to prove his versatility, playing all over the park during the year, whilst Stuart "Forrest Gump" Mannell did not stop running and his creative flair was evident. Rob Owen continued to put his body and head into places where others fear to tread, whilst Trevor "Poppy" Rowntree continued to impress this year with his silky skills and the fitness of a finely tuned athlete. Is it any wonder that other teams are in awe of the strike power of such a fine group of forwards.

A special thanks to all players and families for a really fun year, and we already all look forward to fronting up for next year.

2009 O35/3: Michael Eskelinen, Mark Grima, Ian Hill, Mick Lees, Noel Lynch, Stuart Mannell, Russell May, Craig Muddle, Robert Owen, Trevor Rowntree, George Shearer, Ray Sherriff, Paul Sneesby, David Sparkes, Ian Stubbs, Shayne Thompson, Andrew Whitby and William Whitby.

Coach: David Sparkes

Manager: Ray Sherriff

### **O35/4 – 9<sup>th</sup>**

The Over 35/4 competition was about 10 years younger than what we were previously use to but still we remained very competitive. When at full strength we were more than a match with any team with some very close and exciting games to entertain our terrific supporter base.

Luckily the social events of the year off the field more than made up for any disappointments on the field.

The Players, their spouses and children are an exceptional bunch of people who obviously enjoyed the football as well as each other's company. I'm sure they all look forward to doing it all again in 2010.

The Players player of the year award was very close with 4 or five players in contention right up until the end. The eventual winner was TIM CHEAL. Your peers have voted you the best and fairest player for 2009. Well done TIM!

The Award for the most improved player went to MARK BOGART who gained great confidence as the season went on.

Thanks Shirley for organising the team I'm sure everyone appreciates the time you put in.

2009 O35/4: Craig Adams, John Baxter, Mark Bogart, Paul Cabban, Tim Cheal, Robert Falchi, Roy Galton, Lindsay Gregory, Zenek Hupalowsky, Noel Nielsen, Scott Palmer-Brown, Paul Parlato, Tullio Penserini, Terry Perkins, Paul Rowan, William Seymour, Stephen Tutill and Duncan Walker.

Coach: Bill Seymour

Manager: Shirley Seymour

## **2009 Annual General Meeting**

**5 pm Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2009**

**Clubhouse at Summerhayes Park**

## FOOTBALL COMPETITIVE TEAMS SUMMARY - 2009

Age	Rank	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	GD	Pts Adj	Pt
U12G/1	2		14	10	2	2	36	7	29	0	32
U12G/3	7		14	1	8	5	3	31	-28	0	8
U14G/1	1	Black	14	9	1	4	46	8	38	0	31
U14G/1	8	White	14	0	13	1	2	90	-88	0	1
U14G/2	2	Black	18	14	1	3	71	5	66	0	45
U14G/2	7	White	18	6	10	2	28	40	-12	0	20
U16G/1	7		14	2	9	3	13	38	-25	0	9
U16G/2	2		14	9	3	2	36	17	19	0	29
U16G/3	4		14	5	4	3	27	29	-2	0	18
U18G/1	1	Black	14	8	0	4	49	6	43	0	28
U18G/1	4	White	14	5	4	3	28	25	3	0	18
AAL/1	7		14	0	10	2	7	38	-31	0	2
AAL/2	2		18	11	3	2	39	15	24	0	35
AAL/5	5		18	8	9	1	28	35	-7	0	25
AAL/6	4		18	7	6	5	29	24	5	0	26
U10/1	6		14	4	8	2	13	28	-15	0	14
U10/3	2		14	9	3	2	45	19	26	0	29
U10/4	6		14	4	8	2	32	38	-6	0	14
U10/6	7		14	2	10	2	12	50	-38	0	8
U11/1	2	Black	14	8	2	4	26	11	15	0	28
U11/1	6	White	14	4	8	2	20	26	-6	0	14
U11/2	4		14	4	5	3	15	20	-5	0	15
U11/4	5		14	5	6	3	17	14	3	0	18
U11/6	5		14	6	5	1	34	18	16	0	19
U11/7	5		14	3	5	4	17	21	-4	0	13
U12/1	3		14	5	3	4	18	17	1	0	19

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Age	Rank	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	GD	Pts Adj	Pt
U12/2	1		14	8	1	3	29	10	19	0	27
U12/4	3		14	6	2	4	27	13	14	0	22
U12/5	7		14	2	8	2	19	28	-9	0	8
U13/2	1		14	10	1	3	49	10	39	0	33
U13/4	5		18	6	6	4	42	50	-8	0	22
U14/3	3		14	8	4	2	46	25	21	0	26
U14/4	7		14	3	9	2	28	40	-12	0	11
U15/2	1		14	11	0	3	62	12	50	0	36
U15/3	1		14	11	1	2	38	6	32	0	35
U15/4	6		14	2	11	1	16	84	-68	0	7
U16/2	2		15	11	2	2	32	10	22	0	35
U16/3	6		15	1	12	2	17	80	-63	0	5
U17/1	8		14	1	11	2	18	58	-40	0	5
U17/2	8		18	3	11	4	25	40	-15	0	13
U18/1	6		14	2	7	3	26	49	-23	0	9
AA/2	3		14	6	2	6	31	24	7	0	24
AA/3	2		18	11	3	4	55	28	27	2	39
AA/4	5		18	7	8	3	40	36	4	0	24
AA/5	2		18	12	2	4	53	12	41	0	40
AA/6	4		18	9	7	2	37	28	9	3	32
AA/8	7		18	6	9	3	20	31	-11	0	21
AA/11	9	Black	18	3	13	2	21	108	-87	0	11
AA/11	3	White	18	12	4	2	51	28	23	0	38
O35/2	4		18	8	6	2	38	26	12	0	26
O35/3	5		17	6	6	4	33	24	9	0	22
O35/4	9		18	2	10	6	25	49	-24	0	12

## **Signatures**

# PERPETUAL TROPHIES

## 2009

### FOOTBALL

- The Nursery Trophy Luca Goudis
- The Little Legend Award Harrison Saunders
- Most Promising Junior player Daniel Smith
- Kerry's Motors Trophy (Most Outstanding Junior) Corey Bevins
- Andy Howard Trophy (Most Outstanding Youth) Griffin Millar
- The Bill Seymour Trophy (Most Outstanding AA player) Cameron Douglas
- The Junior Girl Player of the Year Laura Nay
- The Junior Women's Player of the Year Lucy Fenech
- The Senior Women's Player of the Year Patricia Hussain
- Trevor Pride Trophy (Most Outstanding Junior keeper) Daniel Warrick
- Robert Stubbs Goalkeepers Trophy Oliver Carney
- Templeton Trophy (Most Outstanding Senior keeper) Geoff Abrahams
- B.M.C.C Shield for the Highest Placed AA Team AAL/2
- Coach of the Year Michael Robson
- President's Trophy For Most Outstanding Coach Hayden Bissett
- G.E. Watson Trophy – Senior Clubman Daniel Murray
- Junior Clubman Josh Paterson

### REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL

- The Martin Kol Player's Player of the Year (1st Grade) Craig Small
- The Chris Bird Player's Player of the Year (Res Grade) Joshua Buggy
- B.M.C.C Trophy for Best & Fairest U18 Nathan Smith
- B.M.C.C Trophy for Most Improved U18 Daniel Cavanagh
- The David Brown Trophy (Best Senior Player) Geoff Abrahams

### NETBALL

- 14 & 15 Intermediate Award Demi Gregory
- Senior Club Person Tim Murawski
- Jan Galea Trophy (Junior Umpire) Demi Gregory
- Hunters Shoes Umpires Award (Senior Umpire) Alison McLaren



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